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#### SOME TROUGHTS from the editor

Hard to believe that in last issue I was all in a tiffy over not getting any snow, and now we're full on into the throws of spring. Everything is a blooming and a sprouting and coming to life again. It's my favorite time of year. I am on top of the world, on top of my life, in love with everything and

SO I WENT TO SAN FRANCISCO ...

I found myself in a car with Fly, Ben, Atom and Sascha - and I felt so lucky to be surrounded by such a good group of people. Good friends from all over the place - brought together almost unexpectedly. One of the best things and one of my most favorite things. People together out of context. But then again, what is context, when we're all moving around and traveling and finding ourselves at home in so many different places. But here was a group of some of my most favorite people in the world. People who've inspired me for years - been among my closest comrades - and here we were all going to get avocado milkshakes - quite possibly the best icing on the cake imaginable

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Getting to see Sascha was a real unexpected treat as well. A few months back Sascha was intent on the world's demise as planned by the ubiquitous "they. I had gotten completely wrapped up in Sascha's visions and had spent a big chunk of each and every day thinking about him and his visions. But it didn't seem as though our paths were going to cross in the Bay Area. So when Fly mentions that Sascha is in town, then in a few days calls saying Ben "I've got Atom and Sascha and we're on our way overnow" - I was stoked. I mean all these special people together at once. As if just spending a week with Karoline and Robert, two of the most amazingly awesome people you could ever how to meet, isn't enough of a satisfying experience. Having all these rad people that I didn't expect to be around just sort of be there. Well it was super cool.

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So much has been happening - what with the celebratory issue of Slug & Lettuce and the coming of the wonderful season of rejuvenation. The greens have been planted in the garden and the flower bulbs are blooming. The trees are all starting to bud and turn green here and there - dropping hints of what is to come just around the corner. It's such an exciting time. A time when everything feels possible. I realize that I haven't been to many shows of late though. When I was in SF - my camera broke. I was traumatized. I mean, I have never had my camera just stop working - and I had myself all set to photograph everything and go crazy. And there I was in Gilman, with the Black Hand, unexpectedly (to me) playing. I get all set up to shoot - and dead broken camera. I was so upset, that I couldn't even concentrate on the band that I loved playing, nor on most of the show. I mean - it was cool as can be to see a lot of old friends and talk record and band talk with some people... but all the while I had this nagging feeling as though an extension of my body had fallen off. It also snapped part of my urge to seek out seeing more bands while I was there - which was a shame cause there were so many to see. Unfortunately, when a band is in front of me, and my camera is broken, it's like rubbing it in my face. And since I already see in terms of snapped frames - it was painful.

CELEBRATING 15 YEARS... I've had time for lots of reflection what with this being a landmark issue for me. The thing that I think is cool about the 15 year anniversary - is that it also marks doing the zine for half my life. I turn 30 in a few months. I just think that is pretty damn cool. It really explains to me what is so much a part of my life - an extension of me. I've been thinking about how much it's changed over the years and how I've pushed on, ever forward. I can't say there has ever been a time when I had certain big goals or aspirations with the zine. Meaning, it's not like at 15 - I was like, "I'm going to keep at this for 15 years and have a staff of people working for me and blah blah blah ..." No, it's just kind of plotted it's own course and takes me along for the ride. Many people have helped it along over the years and I'm eternally grateful to those who have given me inspiration, helped me with printing and technical issues, made it all possible with the support of advertising. As well as to all those who have contributed artwork and columns and helped with the reviews! Those of you who have never missed and issue and have always been there - know who you are. So much has changed over the years. I always have to wonder how much I have changed, cause we never really think that we change. I mean we continue to grow and evolve and get deeper into our things that we do (hopefully). Sometimes I look around at people I have known and how they have really pursued different paths - really pushed themselves into new directions and I wonder - "am I merely treading water here, doing the same thing, over and over, never doing anything new?" Sometimes it is hard and sometimes it's frustrating. And that is the sense in which I feel that nothing has changed and yet everything has changed. The scene has changed a lot. I think back to when I was in high school and of how I would grasp on to anything remotely punk - so desperate was I for a scene. Now I can laugh at that to a degree and yet I also cringe to think how people have their punk scene handed to them on a silver platter these days. So much is happening, so many different genres and niches - that it's possible to be picky and choosy and buy your hair dye kits at the mall. Ha. The network for bands to put out their own records and distribute them and tour has been so well established that everyone can do it.... the foundations have been laid. And we can always continue to push ourselves toward new things - but I don't think that ever

has to be at the expense of leaving the past behind or letting it go. And I guess there are many who just have to keep plodding along and keeping the foundation set. We can integrate it and make it better and build an even stronger community. It's spring, and

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CELEBRATING 15 YEARS... I've had time for lots of reflection what with this being a landmark issue for me. The thing that I think is cool about the 15 year anniversary - is that it also marks doing the zine for half my life. I turn 30 in a few months. Fjust think that is pretty damn cool. It really explains to me what is so much a part of my life - an extension of me. I've been thinking about how much it's changed over the years and how I've pushed on, ever forward. I can't say there has ever been a time when I had certain big goals or aspirations with the zine. Meaning, it's not like at 15 - I was like, "I'm going to keep at this for 15 years and have a staff it's own course and takes me along for the ride. Many people have helped it along over the years and I'm eternally grateful to those who have given me inspiration, helped me with printing and technical issues, made it all possible with the support of advertising. As well as to all those who have contributed artwork and columns and helped with the reviews! Those of you who have never missed and issue and have always been there - know who you are. So much has changed over the years. I always have to wonder how much I have changed, cause we never really think that we change. I mean we continue to grow and evolve and get deeper into our things that we do (hopefully). Sometimes I look around at people I have known and how they have really pursued different paths - really pushed themselves into new directions and I wonder - "am I merely treading water here, doing the same thing, over and over, never doing anything new?" Sometimes it is hard and sometimes it's frustrating. And that is the sense in which I feel that nothing has changed and yet everything has changed. The scene has changed a lot. I think back to when I was in high school and of how I would grasp on to anything remotely punk - so desperate was I for a scene. Now I can laugh at that to a degree and yet I also cringe to think how people have their punk scene handed to them on a silver platter these days. So much is happening, so many different genres and niches - that it's possible to be picky and choosy and buy your hair dve kits at the mall. Ha. The network for bands to put out their own records and distribute them and tour has been so well established that everyone can do it... the foundations have been laid. And we can always continue to push ourselves toward new things - but I don't think that ever

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or before one leaves town for a month long tour, but finally we all got our act together and met up for what would be a quick jaunt. It seemed we wouldn't have time for the day long hike we'd planned, if we wanted to make sure and meet with the California Buckeye (the marvelous tree). And I couldn't help but think - incredible as it may be - the tree in the garden isn't going anywhere, but the opportunity for a walk with a native, especially one renown for his adventuresome walks - well how could we pass up on that. We started the trek up through the eucalyptus trees and as Aaron sized up the mountain and then a fence, I couldn't help but think, "oh shit, this is the guy who scales fences on all his walks", and me not being any sort of a climber or fence scalar had a bit of a panic. But before I knew it we were heading up this awesome path straight up the hill with the most stunning view of the bay and city beyond. The mists were rolling in, yet the sun was shining bright. It was sensational. When we started out on our adventure, all in a fit of time crunch and the need to get Karoline and Fly back to Robert to go see Willie Nelson (!), Aaron let out with some really chill talk about climbing to the top of the mountain and zoning out and forgetting everything and relaxing and enjoying and the whole meditative process was enough to lure all of our intensity whacked selves up there in a bit of a quest. Well I was tantalized by the view, and all of the amazing plant life that was sprouting forth in the most iridescent of spring green glow. My camera was broken and not fully cooperative with me, which further delayed me. Sadly, we didn't get to sit at the top of the hill and reflect on all of life and sing songs, as had been proposed. Instead we walked at such a pace as to induce a near asthma attack for one not used to scaling mountains in a matter of minutes - while the professional walkers disappeared around the

remembering some of the fun times in my teenage years when I would get myself into a fun situation and be off my usual sleeping at home during usual hours schedule. It's amazing how much fun and ultimately how memorable those breaks into the routine of sleep can be. Though I do have a tendency to do it on in a binge manner which makes me sick in the long run (not the sleep dep for 3 days to get high kind of sick) but the push myself to the limits and think, sleep? what is sleep? I will carry on 20 hours of the day and do as much as I physically can. Well that only last for so long, and in this case about as long as Karoline and Richard could be in town.

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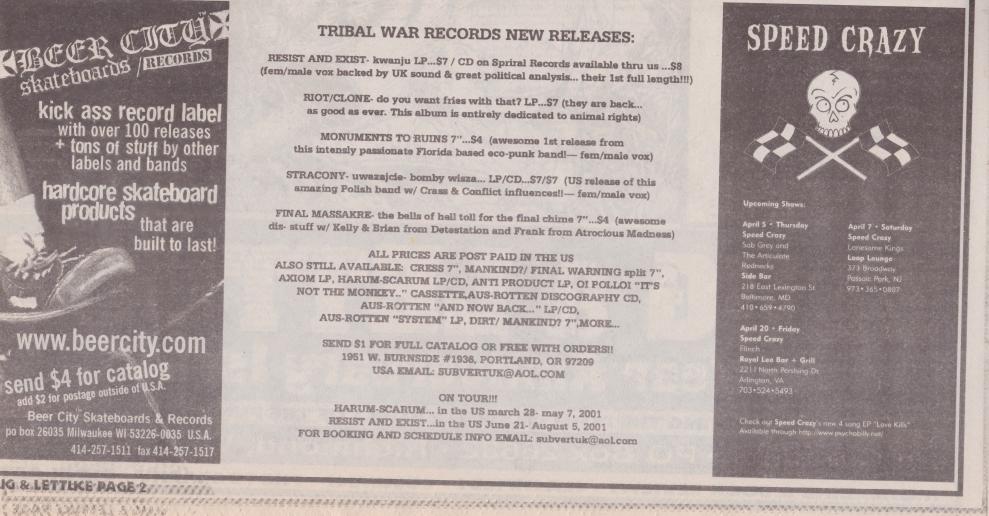
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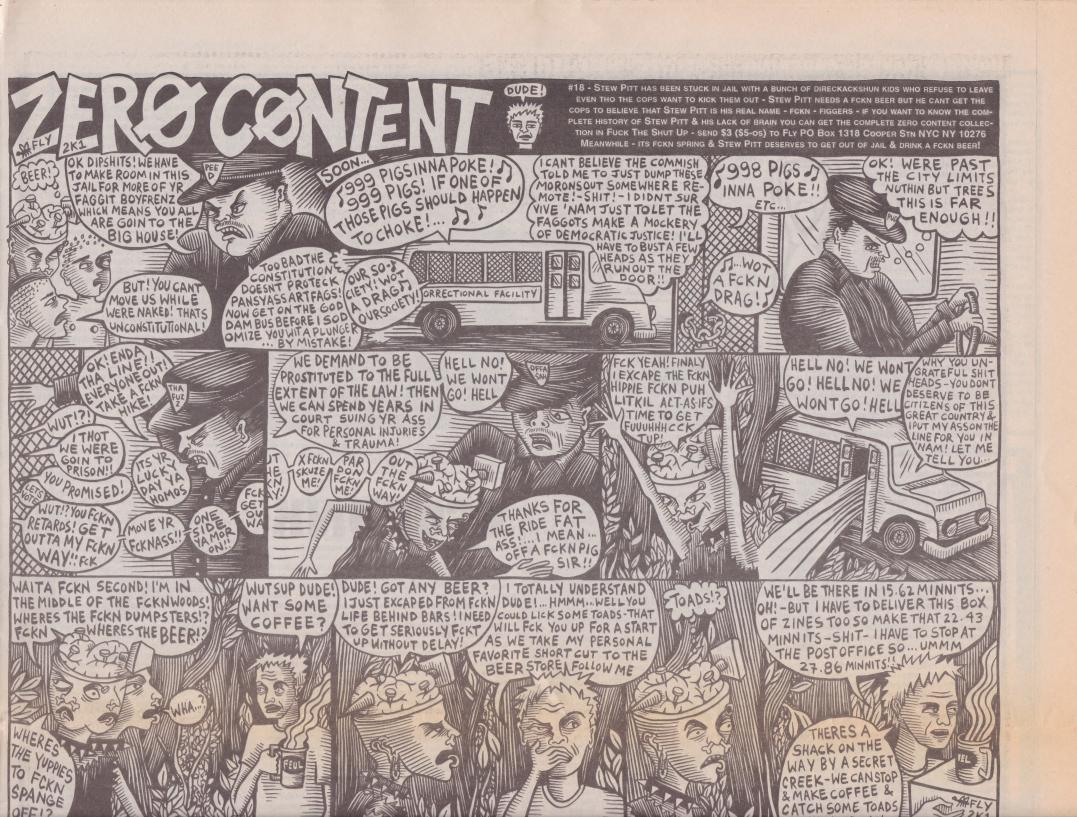
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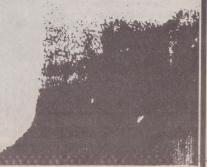
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I wasn't hitting my head into the

kitchen wall hard enough to do any serious brain

damage, but hard and loud enough to draw the

attention of my Mother who came walking in and

stopped me before I did cause some trauma to my forehead and my brain that was getting rudely knocked around in my skull. I had just gotten off the phone with my boss at the local Valley Card And Gift, the store I was working at in the local mall. I had asked for a particular weekend off from work and my boss hadn't been able to find anyone to □cover for me. Even though I was a senior in high school, my work ethic was already fairly strong and so I was in a panic. I couldn't find coverage at my job which 6 in my mind meant I wasn't going to be able to go down to Los Angeles to see the band Conflict play at the Olympic Auditorium which in my mind meant that my life had come crashing to an end. Thus, the only natural reaction to this horrifying news was to start methodically pounding my head against the kitchen wall. I had seen Conflict play a few nights ago at The Farm in San Francisco and it had been a world shaking experience. ☐ You haven't seen intensity until you've seen Conflict play in 1985. ☐ The animal rights banners in the background, Colin standing proudly and screaming passionately into the microphone, the music fast and furious like a hundred stingers piercing into your skin all at once. I was on stage while Conflict was playing and I was getting completely beaten, stepped on, and mauled by the other fifty punks who were struggling to stay on the stage, but it was perfect. I was furiously kicking and punching and shoving just to keep my place on stage cuz the whole place had exploded into flying arms and legs and mohawks and it seemed as if every single person in the place new the lyrics. new the music and had completely lost their minds all at once. ☐ I know that I felt that way. It was like being transported by the music and the lyrics and the energy of it all to a place of pure anger and rage and righteous indignation over the crimes committed by the government and slaughterhouses and the ignorant masses. It was as if Conflict were able to put their finger right on exactly what was driving and fueling punk rock at that time. As I struggled to stay on stage, I watched as Colin dropped to his hands and knees singing one of the songs from Increase The Pressure. I began to dig my way out onto stage, climbing over a few people and getting a couple of good kicks in the ribs by people who were stage diving off of me into the pit. \subseteq I crawled out on the stage on my hands and knees, heading straight towards Colin. He looked up, sweat pouring down his contorted face, and he held the microphone out to me. I got to sing along, both of us getting damaged by the people going nuts on the stage, until I felt a pair of hands grab me around the waist and literally throw me off of the stage. It was the stage security and why he picked on me when there were 49 other people who were doing serious damage to equipment and to the sound system is completely unknown, but as I was carried away on top of a sea of punks I didn't even fucking care because I had just gotten to sing along with Conflict. ☐ It was a dream come true. ☐ Now you understand why I had to get down to Los Angeles to see them play. 

I needed to feel that life affirming intensity again. I needed to justify my anger and my rage. I needed to have a release for the hormonal emotions that raged inside of me. Watching Conflict play had given me that release. Not being able to go down to L.A. meant pounding my head into the kitchen wall. My Mom came into the room and gently led me away from the kitchen wall. ☐ As I explained to her the situation between hysterical sobs and deep, shaky breaths, she came up with the absolute best idea in the whole world: ☐ quit my job. ☐ I was so shocked that I actually stopped crying and just stared at her with my mouth hanging open. My Mother is the person who instilled a strong work ethic in me and to hear her say I should just quit a job with no kind of notice was like hearing her say she decided to get a mohawk and pierce her eyebrow. Completely unheard of. ☐ But she stood firm and made me call my job back up and quit. ☐ She even drove with me down to Los Angeles so's she could get a chance to visit with her best friend and I would have a safe ride there and back. What a mom! I met up with my friend Julie down in L.A. and off to The Olympic Auditorium we went. I had never in my life seen this many punks at one show. If I remember correctly, The Olympic Auditorium held a few thousand people and the show was sold out. Julie and I got into the show and

boots hitting me in the face) back into the pit. After his sixth or seventh climb up and over me, I finally grabbed one of the skinheads inside the metal guard and screamed "GET THIS FUCKING GUY OFF OF ME!" and the skinhead grabbed the kids mohawk and punched him in the face so hard that I swear I heard bones crunch even though the music was pounding at high volume. ☐ I had a moment of feeling bad for the guy with the purple mohawk, but the taste of blood in my mouth from the cut on my lip I'd gotten from his boot quickly dissolved my sympathy. I remember looking behind me at one point and seeing three separate pits going at once with at least a hundred people in each one. ☐ It was a beautiful sight. It was a beautiful show. A couple of weekends ago, sixteen years after seeing Conflict play in San Francisco and Los Angeles, they played again at CBGB's in New York City. There is so much I could say, but all I'm going to say is that my cherished memories from sixteen years ago is going to stand as my only experience of seeing Conflict play. A word of advice to bands that are considering getting back together for some kind of reunion tour...don't do it. Let your band stay ☐ exactly as it should...as a cherished memory. ☐ Start a new band and go on tour with something completely different, but leave the past where it belongs. In the past, peace/equality,

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ATTITUDE PROBLEM

There was a really interesting program on the television recently that I saw advertised in the TV guide. I don't often watch TV. I try and pick out and circle programs I do want to watch out of interest just so I don't sit there all day. It's easily done once those cathode rays start luring you in to its seductive charms of inducing apathy! Anyway, the BBC did a few programs on the subject of mental health and how living in today's high-tech society seems to be affecting people's levels of patience and tolerance to what it was in the past. For instance, road-rage in the UK is now generally accepted as being part of everyday culture on the UKs roads. Becoming annoyed, aggravated, losing your temper and chasing after the person who has aggrieved you to cut them up in reply, break their car windows or physically assault them has seeped into most motorists consciousness as being part and parcel of the every day dangers facing the motorist as they drive along our congested roads and motorways. This type of behavior has lead to some people being too afraid to gesture or indicate when someone really HAS cut them up and near enough killed them. You just never know. And I guess that's the scary bit about it all really, you never know.

But why have we succumbed to this type of behavior? Why do we feel the need to scare and intimidate people? Why do people seem to have less tolerance than seemingly before? Do we have less tolerance than we did before? One of the theories presented was that as people we have lost control over our lives. Technology now has such a grasp over us that we can no longer independently function without its aid. When you actually analyze this you come to realize just HOW much we rely on technology and its time-saving devices to help us lead our 'normal' daily routines, we have become reliant upon speed and the efficiency of the devices we use to achieve the things we desire. From distilling money from cash machines; doors that open automatically, nuking our food in microwaves, sending e-mails, these are just a few examples of how technology has quickened the pace of our lives. We expect things to happen NOW! NOW Godammit!!!

Yet not very often do we step back and question whether all these technological 'advances' are really doing us any favors in the long run. We're too busy living now and we're too busy to think about it!! It only generally occurs to us what a rat race we live in when we take time out going on yacation or going out camping away from all the gadgetry that invades our lives and makes us reliable on its uses whether we want half of it or not.

Here in Britain when we were going through the fuel crisis in Autumn last year, within ONE week, all our supermarkets were selling out of food, petrol stations out of petrol, literally, everything was grinding to a halt. It was an anarchists dream! Chaos! Yet it was organized chaos. The fuel blockades that blocked the 'lungs' of Britain and made it impossible for fuel to be transported from one part of the country to another was made impossible by the truck drivers and farmers who had organized and got off their arse to do something. The Labour government was THAT close to calling in the Army. But what could they do?

community because they didn't have the fuel to drive to the out of town supermarket that sold everything and had wiped out all other business in the community of old. People began to question what had happened to the old baker, the local butcher, the local shops and communities that used to be part of most towns and villages in the UK. The speed of time, agriculture, corporations controlling our food habits, the LOSS OF CONTROL over our everyday normal lives was becoming evident and people were questioning how had we come into these circumstances. It was scary to feel how unprepared I was at facing up to a time when I wasn't in control of my own life, how reliant I have become on outside agencies to provide my daily needs of survival and how we as a people have, or are losing, the skills to provide our own food, our own skills in other areas. How reliant we have become on just a few major supermarkets to feed us with all our basic necessities.

We are allowing and not questioning what technology and progress can offer us. We remain silent to the powers that be eroding our skills and ability to survive. We have become sedate. Now in Britain, we are under another attack. This time with foot-and-mouth disease. Animal carcasses are being piled into pyres to be burnt to prevent the disease spreading and yet it is still continuing to infect more and more farms each day. Even un-infected animals are now being slaughtered so that they do get the disease!!! But is foot-and-moth spreading because we want things now! Even our meat (for those who do eat it!). For so long farmers have been encouraged by government and been too greedy themselves that they have embarked on short cut methods to feed their animals such as cows the swill and remains of other dead animals rather that on diets that they are naturally suited to. We tacitly support the live transport of animals around the country and across continents before they are slaughtered. We import animals from all around the world. We want that yeal NOW! We want that steak NOW! We want that new leather garment NOW! Nothing can wait. Credit? No problem. Sign right here. We are moving so quickly in time that we are on a fast course for even more disasters in this world. Bush and his re-invented Reagan Star Wars program scares the shit out of me. How far do we go? How far are YOU prepared to go before you either sit back and allow atrocities in your own back yard to happen or get out there and work to provide an environment and lifestyle that is healthier for us all? It's no good just being negative. We have to work and build on and believe in the positives. In permaculture, in working together, in transforming this DIY culture of records and zines into a DIY culture of grass roots activism. Sure the world can appear shit but it doesn't mean you have to lie in it!!

If you want to write feel free. Communication is cool. Write to: Steve Attitude Problem Zine, c/o A Network of Friends, PO Box 2576, Hardcore House, Colchester, Essex, CO3 4AY, UK. Thanks.

# ECOPUNK

A lack of inspiration can be the most dangerous thing in a fellow's life.

Not only does the void start eroding initiative and motivation, the foundations of action, but it actually starts chipping away at the most vital of human emotions, hope.

After a depressing year on the fringes of the North American eco/left-activist/ anarchist scene, my hope was about to come crashing down in a torrential slide of stagnation, inefficacy and well, boredom. There is only so much time a person can put into a scene that never goes anywhere politically. I mean for crying out loud, although we politico-punks fancy ourselves well educated, moralist vanguards ready to change the world, we are the third generation of punks who engaged in 'radical direct action' and who thought protesting was the end all be all of the political septic tank. And guess what? As all the folks I used to do Food Not Bombs and anti-war/anti-bank protests with meandered off into more meaningful projects elsewhere, a new generation of young ideologues sprouted up in the same exact spots. Their urban civilization centered, fragmented political views are once again filling the airwaves and telephone poles with more delusional rhetoric and hopeless idealism. After all, underneath the black clothes and bad haircuts, we punks are little different than Baptists or Catholics. None of us are willing to break from traditions, no matter how inane, repetitive and ineffective they might be (street demos and zine rants) nor are we willing to diverge from the intellectual ruts of our sermons. After all, just as the Baptists would be lost without Old Testament lessons from Eziekel and Bathoriza what would we do if we couldn't listen to songs and read zine articles about how bad governments and pigs are, how animals shouldn't be tested on, meat not eaten, jobs not worked and how much deprogramming needs to be done? Like Baptists we would probably come to realize that most of what we believe and say is

bitter honkey ass inspired, amazed and educated over and over again on my

Sixteen days after I crept my way through the deserts of Chihuahua, Durango and Zacatecas, I found myself in a small village in Morelos. The pueblo was one of those tiny, isolated villages that no white person has seen in 50 years and accordingly was one of those places where the people have yet to learn to exploit or hate gringos. I was there with my buddy Paco (met him in a bar in Mexico state) to visit his ailing great-grandfather. 'Mira cuate, the old man is a little crazy. A fanatic. Just nod when he talks and don't call him senor.'

We parked Paco's old chevy in front of a crumbling stone house and started hiking up a thin dirt trail. In the US, a trail like this would be listed in the Gore-lex nerds' guidebooks as an 'Extremely difficult hike.' Its uneven, rocky curves snaked up into the foothills through the forms of massive maguey and nopale trees 20 feet high. My city scarred lungs cried and burned as we struggled our way up the brown hills. A pair of barefoot old women carrying bundles of firewood larger than they passed us with a polite adios and disappeared in the distance. Just before the point I thought I was going to die from heat exhaustion and all the chemicals stuck in my lungs by that malicious motherfucker called Mexico City, the hills leveled off. We took a right at a big eucalyptus and followed another trail separating fields of maiz and nopale only to duck down a stream bed and up another draw. Paco stopped before a thin barbed wire fence and hollered out 'Abuelo!!!'

Someone hollered back in super ranchero spanish I didn't understand. A young woman came down and opened the gate for us. We followed her up to a tiny adobe brick and mud house tucked into the side of a hill. A white haired old man with a huge moustache greeted us with a toothless smile. Like most of the campesinos of rural Morelos, he wore huarache sandals, simple trousers of rough cotton, and a large straw hat. Unlike the others, he wore bleach white, starched shirt tucked into them. Paco kissed his cheeks. I accepted his handshake and returned his smile. We followed him into the house and took seats on chairs of rough hewn logs. Paco and he discussed the health of various family members and the weather before the old man turned to me. 'What do you do?'

'I climb and cut down trees.

He nodded slowly. 'Where do you live?'

'In the mountains in a state called Oregon.'
'Do you own an hacienda? (a big ranch)'

'No, me and some friends own a tiny little farm.'

'With friends? Like an eijdo?(a collectively run piece of land)'

'More or less, except the government doesn't protect us. In fact, they are trying to fuck us.'

Paco gave me a disapproving look for my use of rude chilango spanish, but the old man just laughed. 'I have some land too.' he said, rising and motioning for me to follow him. Paco rolled his eyes and grudgingly rose.

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haven't seen intensity until you've seen Conflict play in 1985. ☐ The animal rights banners in the background, Colin standing proudly and screaming passionately into the microphone, the music fast and furious like a hundred stingers piercing into your skin all at once. I was on stage while Conflict was playing and I was getting completely beaten, stepped on, and mauled by the other fifty punks who were struggling to stay on the stage, but it was perfect. I was furiously kicking and punching and shoving just to keep my place on stage cuz the whole place had exploded into flying arms and legs and mohawks and it seemed as if every single person in the place new the lyrics, new the music and had completely lost their minds all at once. ☐ I know that I felt that way. It was like being transported by the music and the lyrics and the energy of it all to a place of pure anger and rage and righteous indignation over the crimes committed by the government and slaughterhouses and the ignorant masses. It was as if Conflict were able to put their finger right on exactly what was driving and fueling punk rock at that time. As I struggled to stay on stage, I watched as Colin dropped to his hands and knees singing one of the songs from Increase The Pressure. I began to dig my way out onto stage, climbing over a few people and getting a couple of good kicks in the ribs by people who were stage diving off of me into the pit. \subseteq I crawled out on the stage on my hands and knees, heading straight towards Colin. He looked up, sweat pouring down his contorted face, and he held the microphone out to me. I got to sing along, both of us getting damaged by the people going nuts on the stage, until I felt a pair of hands grab me around the waist and literally throw me off of the stage. 

It was the stage security and why he picked on me when there were 49 other people who were doing serious damage to equipment and to the sound system is completely unknown, but as I was carried away on top of a sea of punks I didn't even fucking care because I had just gotten to sing along with Conflict. ☐ It was a dream come true. ☐ Now you understand why I had to get down to Los Angeles to see them play. I needed to feel that life affirming intensity again. 

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ATTITUDE PROBLEM

There was a really interesting program on the television recently that I saw advertised in the TV guide. I don't often watch TV. I try and pick out and circle programs I do want to watch out of interest just so I don't sit there all day. It's easily done once those cathode rays start luring you in to its seductive charms of inducing apathy! Anyway, the BBC did a few programs on the subject of mental health and how living in today's high-tech society seems to be affecting people's levels of patience and tolerance to what it was in the past. For instance, road-rage in the UK is now generally accepted as being part of everyday culture on the UKs roads. Becoming annoyed, aggravated, losing your temper and chasing after the person who has aggrieved you to cut them up in reply, break their car windows or physically assault them has seeped into most motorists consciousness as being part and parcel of the every day dangers facing the motorist as they drive along our congested roads and motorways. This type of behavior has lead to some people being too afraid to gesture or indicate when someone really HAS cut them up and near enough killed them. You just never know. And I guess that's the scary bit about it all really, you never know.

But why have we succumbed to this type of behavior? Why do we feel the need to scare and intimidate people? Why do people seem to have less tolerance than seemingly before? Do we have less tolerance than we did before? One of the theories presented was that as people we have lost control over our lives. Technology now has such a grasp over us that we can no longer independently function without its aid. When you actually analyze this you come to realize just HOW much we rely on technology and its time-saving devices to help us lead our 'normal' daily routines, we have become reliant upon speed and the efficiency of the devices we use to achieve the things we desire. From distilling money from cash machines; doors that open automatically, nuking our food in microwaves, sending e-mails, these are just a few examples of how technology has quickened the pace of our lives. We expect things to happen NOW! NOW Godammit!!!

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# ECOPUNK

A lack of inspiration can be the most dangerous thing in a fellow's life.

Not only does the void start eroding initiative and motivation, the foundations of action, but it actually starts chipping away at the most vital of human emotions, hope.

After a depressing year on the fringes of the North American eco/left-activist/ anarchist scene, my hope was about to come crashing down in a torrential slide of stagnation, inefficacy and well, boredom. There is only so much time a person can put into a scene that never goes anywhere politically. I mean for crying out loud, although we politico-punks fancy ourselves well educated, moralist vanguards ready to change the world, we are the third generation of punks who engaged in 'radical direct action' and who thought protesting was the end all be all of the political septic tank. And guess what? As all the folks I used to do Food Not Bombs and anti-war/anti-bank protests with meandered off into more meaningful projects elsewhere, a new generation of young ideologues sprouted up in the same exact spots. Their urban civilization centered, fragmented political views are once again filling the airwayes and telephone poles with more delusional rhetoric and hopeless idealism. After all, underneath the black clothes and bad haircuts, we punks are little different than Baptists or Catholics. None of us are willing to break from traditions, no matter how inane, repetitive and ineffective they might be (street demos and zine rants) nor are we willing to diverge from the intellectual ruts of our sermons. After all, just as the Baptists would be lost without Old Testament lessons from Eziekel and Bathoriza what would we do if we couldn't listen to songs and read zine articles about how bad governments and pigs are, how animals shouldn't be tested on, meat not eaten, jobs not worked and how much deprogramming needs to be done? Like Baptists we would probably come to realize that most of what we believe and say is bullshit and would start looking for something else to do... But alas, the barbed cordage of Faith binds us tightly to our rhetorical traditions and we as a movement like the Bantists never progress

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Someone hollered back in super ranchero spanish I didn't understand. A young woman came down and opened the gate for us. We followed her up to a tiny adobe brick and mud house tucked into the side of a hill. A white haired old man with a huge moustache greeted us with a toothless smile. Like most of the campesinos of rural Morelos, he wore huarache sandals, simple trousers of rough cotton, and a large straw hat. Unlike the others, he wore a bleach white, starched shirt tucked into them. Paco kissed his cheeks. I accepted his handshake and returned his smile. We followed him into the house and took seats on chairs of rough hewn logs. Paco and he discussed the health of various family members and the weather before the old man turned to me. What do you do?"

'I climb and cut down trees.'

He nodded slowly. 'Where do you live?'

'In the mountains in a state called Oregon.'

'Do you own an hacienda? (a big ranch)'

'No, me and some friends own a tiny little farm.'

'With friends? Like an ejido?(a collectively run piece of land)'

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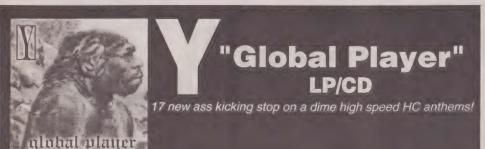
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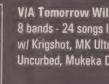
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He dumped them into my hand. 'When I was young I rode with Zapata as we took Mexico City from that asshole Carranza. For three days we fought without water or even a single tortilla while they shot cannons at us. Finally we made our final charge. I got shot in the side (he showed me the twisted scar) and was laying in the dirt praying to the virgin when a man knelt next to me and asked me if I had more bullets. I said no, that I had shot them all. I looked up at him and it was mi colonel. He looked sad, touched my shoulder, wished me luck before he ran off."

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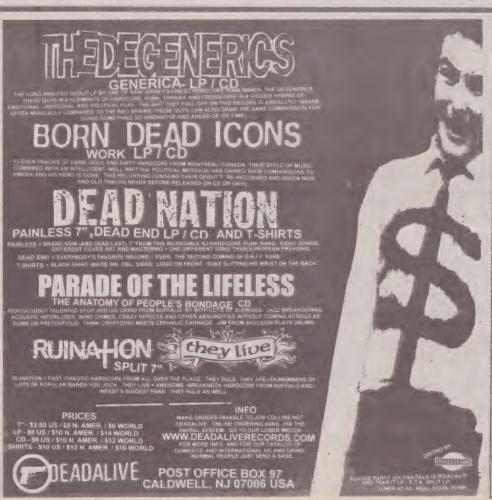
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# COLUMNS

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The books say that fermenting the seeds kills bacteria on the seeds that attack the germinated seedlings. The instructions were to scoop out the pulpy mass of seeds into a jar, add enough water to cover and let them stand for about 3 days. The viable seeds, say the books, will sink. The bad ones will float.

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Once the sprouts appear, fish them out, carefully with the tip of a serrated knife and put them in small pots filled with a growing medium. This can be done when the sprout is just out of the seed and still looks like a grub or an inchworm, or it can be done when the leaf end starts turning green. Just try to get it done before the root gets long and thready and starts branching out.

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To sprout the seeds try either of two methods.

To start them before frost or during the scorching hot part of the summer, mix them with a small amount of potting soil in a zip lock baggie. In a few days you will see the sprouts. Turn the contents of the baggie out onto a plate and carefully pick out the sprouts with the flat tip of a knife and deposit them into the soil filled cells of a seeding box. Protect them from extremes of weather. When they have grown to 4 or 6 leaves and the weather is milder, put them

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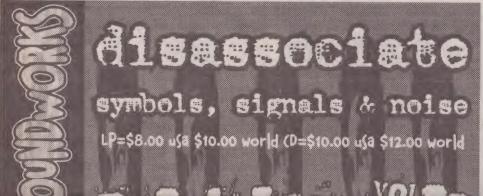
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"You mean you're going to throw that away?" I said.

"Yes, its not much good," she said.

"I don't suppose you would let me take it?" I said, I have seeds to plant."

"They're not much good, but if you have use for them then you're welcome to them, it will save him a trip to the dump."

I embarrassed myself with such begging, but continued shamelessly.

"What about those over there in the barrel are you throwing them away too?" And so I ended my beautiful fall day with no new job. But I had a stack of pots for my dear baby tomatoes, a new source of supplies and a half-ton load of free encouragement. According to my logic, I did well. seeded directly into the ground later in the spring, sprouting indoors can help the plant survive the seedling stage. There are a number of perils that can befall tiny seedlings, and sprouting them out inside and setting them out when they are larger can help with the survival rate. Its an option that may or may not be worth the effort.

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Help prevent heart disease with garlic

Centuries ago, garlic was known as a demon repellent. Today, scientific evidence shows that garlic can help fight atherosclerosis—cardiovascular disease in which fatty plaque builds up in arteries and obstructs blood flow—by reducing cholesterol and triglycerides in the blood. One average-size, raw clove a day is a general preventive.

Quell a quest stomach with ginger

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This herb's antiseptic qualities make it an effective cold-fighter. A thyme tea will help treat minor throat and chest infections (for some it may soothe hay fever as well).

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**AUTONOMY NEWSLETTER OF SOME CHICAGO ANARCHISTS MAYDAY 2000** (\$?/ SCA, PO Box 163/ 1340 W Irving Pk/ Chicago, IL 60613) Awesome collection of newsletters and articles put out by some Chicago anarchists. Solid writing and clip art. Also includes some flyers from anarchists happenings gift in the 80's. The writing is exceptionally clear while not losing any passion. They cover a brief history of anarchism and different trends within it, the use of advertising to push capitalism, the racism apparent in movies like Rambo, a look into the annoying stereotype of anarchists as terrorists and a lot of the frustration surrounding a plaque put up by the Parks dept. a at the Haymarket Martyrs monument. And unlike other accounts I've read, they actually show what the Prague looks like and more importantly what it says. So you can see for yourself the disgusting whitewash of history. Definitely recommend this. (-Aprille)

got really into this section and could have done with the whole zine consisting of stories and artwork. Stories that are personal glimpses into life - about living to paint and whether it is justified to pursuit art as a means of expression when it means that you have to constantly borrow money from your friends to eat. The advice column section seemed a waste of time. The comic that tells a story from his past was on par w/the stories and art. There's a bunch of music reviews which are just that. A few other bits - like about smoking pot laced with strychnine. The artwork and stories - that is the way to go - and I love them. (-

BARRICADA (Dec. 2000) (50¢ minimum donation, free to prisoners/PO Box 73/ Boston MA 02133) New issue of the "revolutionary leftist publication of the Barricada Collective" - with a really clear layout and straight-forward articles. Some of the writing that deals with political actions is done by people that participated - which is always a plus. Covers - the School of Americas protest along with a critique of 'permitted protests', the Cuban Embargo, actions against the transatlantic business dialogue in Cincinnati, battles against Nazis in Milan, a review of a play written by Howard Zinn, and more, (-Aprille) BARRICADA (Nov. 2000) A striking first issue of this anarchist news and commentary zine. It's full size with a great layout, simple, but stands out and screams to be read. They feature news of worldwide actions and demonstrations, with stories out of Boston, Spain, France, Prague, Greece, Columbia and more. The letter from one anarchist who has been forced underground is eye openings to how willing you have to be to put yourself secondary in the fight against the government system. The articles are all very brief but still succeed in getting both the facts and the point across quickly. There's a good sense of room to expand in this and it'll be great to see it grow into a consistent source of news. (-Aprille) This has been coming out steadily every month - and I now have a stack of issues collected. January features: arrest reports after the Peltier March in NYC, and additional news reports on anti-sweatshop protests at Niketown and the Gap, Philadelphia police commish, calls for mobilization, prisoner solidarity, anti-capitalist globalization and international solidarity. Most of the February issue focuses on reports and reflections on the Revolutionary Anti-Authoritarian Bloc at the inauguration in DC on Jan 20. Additional headlines such as: anarchism, green anarchism and the left, anarchism reformism and the struggles of national liberation. The March issue has a whole new look with a color copied cover on cardstock. It's got responses to the coverage of the J20 protests, and new international news briefs. And gets into an activists info to Quebec City. There is so much more that I haven't mentioned. Suffice it to say, Barricada has made it's mark as a timely and regular publication covering the anarchist actions in the activist community

BIRD/SEED/ZINE (stamp/trade/ScottIdealism/221 Livingston Ave/New Brunswick NJ 08901) So I liked the name of this. I like birds and the idea of seeds — of food, plants, ideas... but this zine is kinda sparse and scattered. Mostly just bits of bird facts or words of wisdom - kinda thrown together. And all of it really could be condensed on to 1 or 2 pages (and then it might seem less random). (-Chris) BOOK OF LETTERS #14 (\$3/PO Box 890/Allston, MA 02134) The reverend is back again with another issue of his humorous jabs at corporate America. This issue picks up where the last one left off with letters to Kellogg's, Exxon, Proctor & Gamble, Coca-Cola, and more, along with the PR departments' responses (or lack thereof) to his tongue-in-cheek inquiries. Funny stuff.

BOY ~ GIRL/GIRL ~ BOY #2 (\$3/Shvla Ann & Robnoxious/ PO Box 743/Mankato MN 56002) What a cool zine and a great idea. It's a split zine focusing on gender issues and sexuality - but done in a split format - so one half is Shvla Ann's and the other is Robnoxious. The both delve into the subject of gender issues, upbringing, social conditioning. embracing our sexuality, and our differences. It's interesting to see and hear the different stories they tell - and also the different approaches they take in their zine format. Shyla Ann writes quite a bit about the sex industry - about working in a sex shop and about how to talk in a sex positive manner. She said that the most rewarding thing about working in porn was to be able to talk to other women - to answer their questions and to hear their stories. She writes about peep show booths and the industry at large. About different ways of having sex (ie. non-penetration). About sex-positive language. And there is a good section of women's health - about herbs to take during your period and about the problems with tampons - and other alternatives. And there is a super awesome health section "for traveling women" - with information on common problems and how to treat them. Vital information. Rob's side, needless to say, is very different and told from his boy point of view. He talks about initiation into gender roles and the

social pressures of teens - as well as the lacking ritual of changing from youth to adulthood and all that comes with that transition in our society. He explodes his sexuality - with multiple partners and a bi-sexual preference. He also talks about the ingrained homophobia that our society pushes - even if you identify with same-sex relationships. There is straight forward info on sex - on how the parts work, on ways in which to enjoy sex more, different ways to engage in sex. Talk about multiple partner relationships - pros and cons and how to embrace

thick zine with tons to read and varying perspectives and ideas. It's informative and involves critical thinking and they are very encouraging of continued dialog and sharing. Highly recommended! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*

BREAK THE CHAINS #2 (\$?/PO Box 11331/Eugene OR 97440) This is the 'Newsletter of the Northwest Anarchist Support Network'. Quick 4 page newsletter, with a poster centerfold. Focuses on updates and news of arrests, trials, and support pertaining to NW activists and anarchists. Full of info and contact addresses. (-Aprille)

BURN COLLECTOR #11 (\$4ppd/to Stickfigure Distribution/PO Box 55462/ Atlanta GA 30308) Another one of my favorite zines comes out with a new issue in a bound book format. This one reads as a story and novel. Who knows when the stories took place - it's ambiguous in a time-less way, but I'm guessing he draws on the past much more than the present. I got totally caught up in this one. Al has the ability to construct amazing sentences. I got so into his lengthy descriptive sentences - the sort that use so many words - but that only further gets to the description of the mood and time. I started highlighting the sentences. I was sorta thinking about Cometbus while I was reading this. The zine guy working in a copy store, traveling around, writing about girls and being aloof. But where as Aaron tends to be positive and upbeat in his nostalgia, Al tends to present himself as a bit of a jerk. Telling stories of free-loading off of friends, meeting with old-girlfriends in the hope of getting them to buy him coffee. This starts out with a co-workers from the copy shop killing himself and ends up with Al back to working in the coffee shop - questioning himself over it. In the midst he has many slacker type adventures of couch surfing and coffee drinking and late night wanderings. About getting fired from jobs and hooking up with wacked girls. In those great descriptive sentences are touches of wisdom and poignant observations that just had me hooked to this in an addictive and totally enjoyable way. Awesome! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*

BURNT #3 (\$1/ Franco/ 400 Park Rd/ Parsippany, NJ 07054-1737/ burntzine@yahoo.com) I like this zine. It's simple and straight forward, but has a ton of heart and conviction, something I think is really vital when it comes to putting together a really good zine. It describes itself as a "cut 'n paste personal/political/music zine with several writers covering a variety of topics along with some clippings, rants, zine/music reviews, wacky photos, and sillyness on the side." Yep, that pretty much sums it up. I suppose it's basically your typical zine, but for some reason it stands out above the rest to me. This issue in particular covers topics such as AIDS in Africa, the murder of Texas punk Brian Deneke, the absence of a God, temp work stories, and a few other things (-Kyle)

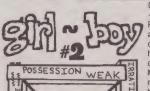
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BIRD SEED ZIME (stamp/trade/ScottIdealism/221 Livingston Ave/New Brunswick NJ 08901) So I liked the name of this. I like birds and the idea of seeds — of food, plants, ideas... but this zine is kinda sparse and scattered. Mostly just bits of bird facts or words of wisdom-kinda thrown together. And all of it really could be condensed on to 1 or 2 pages (and then it might seem less random). (-Chris) BOOK OF LETTERS #14 (\$3/PO Box 890/Allston, MA 02134) The reverend is back again with another issue of his humorous jabs at corporate America. This issue picks up where the last one left off with letters to Kellogg's, Exxon, Proctor & Gamble, Coca-Cola, and more, along with the PR departments' responses (or lack thereof) to his tongue-in-cheek inquiries. Funny stuff.

-Kyle)

PO Box 743/Mankato MN 56002) What a cool zine and a great idea. It's a split zine focusing on gender issues and sexuality - but done in a split format - so one half is Shyla Ann's and the other is Robnoxious. The both delve into the subject of gender issues, upbringing, social conditioning, embracing our sexuality, and our differences. It's interesting to see and hear the different stories they tell - and also the different approaches they take in their zine format. Shyla Ann writes quite a bit about the sex industry - about working in a sex shop and about how to talk in a sex positive manner. She said that the most rewarding thing about working in porn was to be able to talk to other women - to about peep show booths and the industry at large. About different ways of having sex (ie. non-penetration). About sex-positive language. And there is a good section of women's health - about herbs to take during your period and about the problems with tampons - and other alternatraveling women" - with information on common problems needless to say, is very different and told from his boy point of view. He talks about initiation into gender roles and the

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BURNT #3 (\$1/ Franco/ 400 Park Rd/ Parsippany, NJ 07054-1737/ burntzine@yahoo.com) I like this zine. It's simple and straight forward, but has a ton of heart and conviction, something I think is really vital when it comes to putting together a really good zine. It describes itself as a "cut 'n paste personal/political/music zine with several writers covering a variety of topics along with some clippings, rants, zine/music reviews, wacky photos, and sillyness on the side." Yep, that pretty much sums itup. I suppose it's basically your typical zine, but for some reason it stands out above the rest to me. This issue in particular covers topics such as AIDS in Africa, the murder of Texas punk Brian Deneke, the absence of a God, temp work stories, and a few other things. (-Kyele)

CALENDAR AND VEGAN COOKBOOK 2001 (\$3ppd'c/o Anna Weevil/Black Weevil/Distro/11053-89 Ave/Edmonton, AB T66 027 Canada) What a useful combination! Especially since the only place I have a calendar up, is in the kitchen. Each month has a different recipe along with some cut n' paste art. How to make such things are pizza dough, waffles, brownies, tomato sauce, granola, soy milk, hummus, salad dressing and more. The calendar part has enough space in each square to put in whatever the moon cycle, holidays, or things you're supposed to remember to do that day. Good idea. (-Aprille) CAUSTIC TRUTHS #77 (JarkFeb) (PO Box 92548/152 Carlton St/Toronto

Ontario M5A 2K0 Canada <a href="www.caustictruths.com">www.caustictruths.com">www.caustictruths.com</a> Interviews Aaronfrom Probe zine/records and Vaginal Davis (performance artists), artist Winston Smith, a rundown on historical bag gangsters, and reviews. Kinda blah and heavy on the ads and lacking on the substance. The odd thing is that for a zine that focuses on Noizy Music - the non-review coverage doesn't focus on music at all. I like to see interviews than aren't with bands - but in this case the split focus is a bit odd. This didn't really interest me at all and the push to go glossy and get more ads turns me off even more. (-Chris)

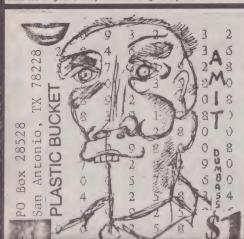
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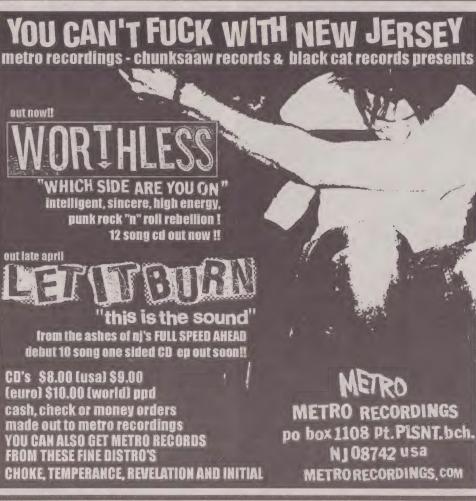
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other such bureaucratic knobs. The writing is always stripped down, direct and not short on sarcasm. This issue covers the anti-capitalist may day 2000 actions in London, how union levies help subsidize Tony Blair, accounts of many direct actions all over England, a look at the no fuel tax standstill actions, some book reviews and many other bits and pieces. One of the features I think is % brilliant is the publishing of photos of undercover cops, nazis, police photographers and other scum. Some zines in America need to take up on this and blow their cover. (-Aprille)

CLENCH #2 (free/Phil Knowles/Earlham College, Drawer 1034/801 National Rd. West/Richmond IN 47374-4095) This is a one pager for the "hardcore obsessed". The focus is on the band the F.U.'s. Contains info, a biography of sorts, with release info and their place in the history of punk. This is how you can get schooled on your old-school punk and hardcore. (-Chris)

COMETBUS #47 "LANKY" (\$2.50ppd or \$4 for 2/ BBT/ PO Box 4279/ Berkeley CA 94704) Woo-hoo! A new Cometbus and this time it's printed in a bound book format - which is quite perfect for this new novel. But Aaron is quick to assure you that this is not his new book, it's his zine and that the change in format is only because it's actually cheaper. It looks fucking good! So the novelty of this issue for me what that I got it in Berkeley from Aaron directly and that made this one all the better. I started reading this directly after leaving CA, and it was like I got stuck in Cometbus land for a long time - started living it myself. Always a good thing with a zine. I love Cometbus and this is an excellent new issue. It's a novel issue, based around his girlfriend named Lanky, but it's not really a novel about her more like about the time in Aaron's life in which he dated this girl. It's the mid-80s in Berkeley in his teen years. Working in a copy shop in Berkeley, living in punk houses, with plenty of references to his parents and their house (parts that I especially enjoyed due to the pack-rat lifestyle). Aaron has a gift of words. He has the magical ability to use a few words to say a lot. To craft weighty sentences that make you relate and agree and go "yeah". This one is a glimpse into a time and a place and a part of life. It's a story and a bit of a document and damn is it good. Like I said, I got so wrapped up in it I felt that I was living in it. And you can't recommend something more highly than that!!! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*

CONCRETE REALITY: NEW YORK HARDCORE ZINE #6 (\$2.50 + post/c/o Kevin Will PO box 656750/ Fresh Meadows NY 11356-6750 <kevinreality@hotmail.com>) So this is a huge newsprint zine with a nice glossy cover (with a drawing of the Williamsburgh Bridge) that focuses on NYC Hardcore. From NYC scene reports, Interviews with Inhuman, Five Minute Major, Awkward Thought, Tommy Rat from Rejuvenate and Free Spirit Records, Rick Ta Life, Next 2 Last, Redline, Kill Your Idols, Quibron, Shutdown, a chat w/Justin Brannan about the end of Indecision and the beginning of Most Precious Blood, Chokeslam, Sworn Enemy, Step 2 Far, Tears of Frustration, a No Redeeming Social Value European tour diary, graffiti section (with photos), show reviews, music reviews, and even zine reviews (not only NYC zines). Band photos and a feature on Gary Gilmore - Wrongway flyers (which are really good - he did the cover of this too.) Almost a hundred pages of hard fucking core. I'm kinda amazed to see there is so much happening in a niche of the scene I don't keep tabs on - there's a lot of bands I've never heard of. And this zine is done with a lot of enthusiasm and dedication to the scene.

CRAMP #6 (free/Rob Cramp/MS 1086/3203 SE Woodstock Blvd/Portland OR 97202-8199) This rocks! A one page bike punk zine. It's folded in a neato way to make it a booklet (until you need to read the other side). Great bike clipart and bits of writing. Stories about hitting the side mirror of a copy lovers truck - then spending all afternoon waiting with the guy (who'd called the cops), a list of web sties to check out, insane things lifted out of different magazines, some zine reviews, tales of a critical mass that was set-up for arrests and more. Just send him some stamps and check it out for yourself.

CUTLASS #6 (\$1/ Free to prisoners/ PO Box 16651/ SF CA 94116-0651)
Yeah! A new Cutlass - always a cut n' paste dream. Pretty thick issue too!
Tales from a rally against police brutality, adjusting to not wearing tons of
chains wrapped around various body parts, lengthy chat with Richard Bump
who does Fanorama zine, feelings about lost Polish family heritage, hating
phones, going to jury duty and more. Some of the stories are in comic form
and the whole thing is packed with cut n' paste artwork. Also quite a few letters
reprinted, including one from a freaky inmate, who goes off on a weird tangent.
Take a peek into Janice's life. (-Aprille)

D.I.Y. - "HOW TO" GUIDE (postage donation/Crimethino/Urban Pirates/201 N Cedar St./ Greensboro NC 27401) So I really haven't gotten to spend much time with this one - but I want to get if mentioned cause I think it's a great idea and it covers some really good info - on how to "do-lt-yourself". That being

seams, free food and cooking for lots of people with a limited budget. My favorite section quite possibly is - giving directions - cause this is something that I am good at cause I know what you need when you're on the road, but sadly too many people are clueless and forget the important things (landmarks). This points out some common sense things that every punk id and band on the road (and show booker) could really benefit from. (and they should add in a section about how to drive when someone is following your van/car - use turn signals and don't run yellow lights or drive fast as hell cause you know where you're going). All in all this guide is a decent collection of basic info on the "take back our lives" philosophy of self-sustainability. This is something that all punk kids should get and all distros should carry. But most importantly - use this as a guide for inspiration and dig even deeper into those things you are interested in and remember - you can do it yourself - so do! (-Chris)

DEAD CITY #7 (539 Washington NE/Warren OH 44483) I really liked this zine. My favorite zines of late have been the (well-done) story ones and this is one of those. It's short (much shorter than the last one he says) and consists of a few stories about the character Gypsy. The thing that is really cool about this is that

Gypsy could be autobiographical or totally made up -butit's all based in enough reality that it essentially doesn't matter. Gypsy is basically a kid who travels around from various east coast and mid-west cities -making the rounds so to speak - with old friends, doing a lot of drinking, and hooking up with old friends. It's thoughtful and interesting and not just drunk punk stories. I think the one that will stick with me for a long time is the one about picking up a dog who'd been hit by a car as he's leaving town and attempting to take care of it on his road trip-only to have it die. It was quite sad, but a well told story. Quite believable - all of it and it's kinda interesting to wonder who's experiencing these events for real. (-Chris)

DISASTER STRIKES #1 (free?/207 North Main St/Sharon, MA 02067) it says free on the cover, but it'll take a fair bit of postage to send- 40 full size pages- so send a buck or two. An excellent collection of articles and artwork that was reprinted from other zines and booklets out of records. He does an awesome job of listing where each piece is from along with contact addresses. Some of the writing is from prolific zines/sources so you may have come across it before. Includes- thoughts on

straightedge (Kent McClard), sexual abuse (Give me back comp), abortion, pomography (Give me back), Zapatistas (Hodgepodge zine), coming out about your sexuality (Noise' Text war) and more. For it consisting only of reprints- he collected a great batch of passionate, energy filled writing and art. (-Aprille) <a href="DISORDERLY">DISORDERLY</a> CONDUCT</a> winter 2000-01 (\$72 PO Box 11331/ Eugene OR 97440) Pretty thick collection of anarchist reprints from publications such as Green Anarchy, Crimethine, Earth First, Steal This Book, and more. They cover quite a few subjects - the protests in Prague against the IMFWOrld Bank, the prison industry, sabotage, presidential elections, ecology, shoplifting and many others. The articles by John Zerzan, Bob Black and the comrades of Kaczynski group didn't really endure me to this. So where as some parts I found interesting, other parts just didn't sit well. The page filled with idiotic quotes from George W. Bush is both hilarious and frightening. (-Aprille)

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DISSECTION ZINE #2 (\$1 or trade/PO Box 166/Morris IL 60450) Czech scene report, Food Not Bombs, pirates and punk, why feminism is not about manhating, speaking out about gender preferences, Puerto Rico, a brief interview with Skullkrusher. Some reviews. The general theme of this zine is punk, and the style is cut and paste and reprint and assemble things that they want to share. Ads printed for info - not for money. A bit chaotic - but not problematically so. The intentions and energy behind this one are real good - and the info included is as well. (-Chris)

<u>DORIS #17</u> (\$1.50/PO box 1734/Asheville NC 28802) Doris has become one of my favorite zines, and I'm always super excited for a new issue. This one is a compilation of older material - stuff either printed in other zines or stuff she never printed in Doris. As a fairly new reader of Doris - this was all new writing for me, and I really enjoyed it. The stories flow, though they're all separate. Living in many places - and interacting with people in a mal-adjusted social manner. Friends, love, anti-friends, travel, drunkenness, and the company of the dog. A real assortment of writing here (as expected with a collection) supplemented with Cindy's drawings and it's all done in the chaos typewriter style. Nice! (-Chris)

DRIZZY2 AERONAUTIKS (\$2/733 Tumpike St #234/No Andover MA 01845)
This 1/4 size zine came in a ziplock bag of neato stuff. Some interesting flyers
and a Drizzy? button. Gotta love fun-packs! The letter the editor wrote mentioned
this wasn't an emo or art zine - which are two things that didn't come to mind after
reading it anyway. The writing (which is broken up with small pieces of clip art)
has a surreal quality. It takes you on a journey to somewhere resembling this
world but with different twists and turns. Nice break from the usual. the
contributions include artwork and small pieces of writing. (-Aprille)

DWELLING PORTABLY Dec. 2000 (\$1/PO Box 190-SL/Philomath OR 97370)

might think up). This issue has tips on keeping a cabin warmer, problems living in vehicles, clusters of live-in vehicles, foraging for food, house boat living, dental care, an increase in readers warming of dangers - printed to help others avoid said problems, atternative energy solutions, and traveling lifestyles. As always, each issue also includes resources and contacts for other publications of related interest. (-Chris)

EARTH LIBERATION PRISONER NEWSLETTER Dec. 2000 (stamps/NA\_ELP Support Network/c/o PO Box 11331/Eugene OR 97440) 4 page update of court reports and legal updates of earth/animal liberation prisoners. For most of the prisoners, it gives a quick rundown of their charges, and contact addresses. (-Aprille)

EAT SHIT #16 (Jan) (Box 4766/SLT CA 96157) Short and brief interviews w/ Vaginal Discharge, DS 13, a write up on River City Rebels which looks almost like a Victory one-sheet, an interview with a satanic priestess, info on genetically engineered foods, vegan recipes, anti-fur boycott info, new info on the tree Luna (which has been illegally cut), some columns and reviews. This is cut and paste punk rock all the way. An odd assortment of gnarly stuff with political consciousness. (-Chris)

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CONCRETE REALITY: NEW YORK HARDCORE ZINE #6 (\$2.50 + post/c/o Kevin Will PO box 656750/ Fresh Meadows NY 11356-6750 <kevinreality@hotmail.com>) So this is a huge newsprint zine with a nice glossy cover (with a drawing of the Williamsburgh Bridge) that focuses on NYC Hardcore. From NYC scene reports, Interviews with Inhuman, Five Minute Major, Awkward Thought, Tommy Rat from Rejuvenate and Free Spirit Records, Rick Ta Life, Next 2 Last, Redline, Kill Your Idols, Quibron, Shutdown, a chat w/Justin Brannan about the end of Indecision and the beginning of Most Precious Blood, Chokeslam, Sworn Enemy, Step 2 Far, Tears of Frustration, a No Redeeming Social Value European tour diary, graffiti section (with photos), show reviews, music reviews, and even zine reviews (not only NYC zines). Band photos and a feature on Gary Gilmore - Wrongway flyers (which are really good - he did the cover of this too.) Almost a hundred pages of hard fucking core. I'm kinda amazed to see there is so much happening in a niche of the scene I don't keep tabs on - there's a lot of bands I've never heard of. And this zine is done with a lot of enthusiasm and dedication to the scene.

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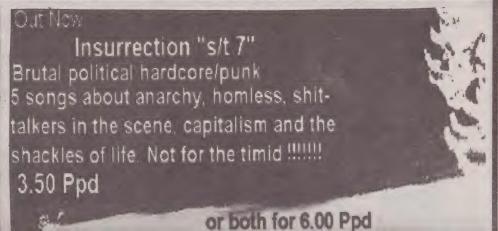
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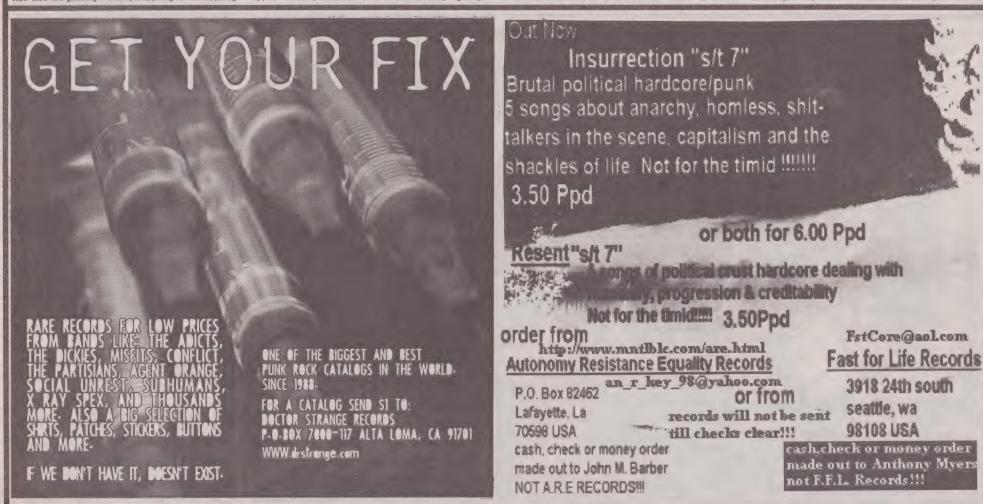
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NEO-BARBARIC (\$1 or trade/ PO Box 144/ Ashville, PA 16613) This zine seems to mostly be a music zine focusing on all those totally extreme and intense genres of music that the kids seem to love so much these days. Noise, hardcore, punk, grindcore, metal, etc. with a bit of satanic imagery thrown in here and there. It has a few band interviews (Naked Insects, Satan's God, Church Bizarre), and then the rest is made up of music and zine reviews. As is usually the case, the band interviews seem pretty lacking to me. However

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PEOPleS by Fly (\$4ppd US/\$6ppd world/Fly/PO box 1318/Cooper Stn/NY NY 10276 < www.bway.net/~fly/>) You all know and love Fly right? - (see Zero Content if you're not sure what I'm talking about)... well this is her new zine and it totally rules! Her newest project is drawing people she knows and getting their story down. She has a hand-written part that is generally the story that they tell her while the drawing is being done and then she adds in a bit at the bottom - either about how she knows the person or more about her experience during the drawing time. Fly is an amazing artist and her documentation of rad people is totally awe-inspiring and awesome to see! Some of the drawings are more sketches - but most of them are fully done drawings with tone washes and they just look so incredible. To name a few of the people included - Richard the Roadie, Wendy O-Matik, Adrienne Droogas, Cindy from Doris, Aaron Cometbus, various zinesters, artists, squatters and train-hopping crusty punks, Seth Tobocman, Pete Missing, Amyl Nitrate, Dick Lucas - a virtual who's who in the scene. But there is nothing pretentious about this. It's down to earth, honest and real - and that is why this is such an awesome project. Fly's sketchbook has always been one of the most incredible stories you could ever happen upon. And this is sort of like her way of sharing her friends, family, travels and life with all of us as well as getting a bit of document down. She's continuing the project probably be a couple future issues of the "zine" and then in a year or so she plans to put them into a book. AMAZING!!! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*

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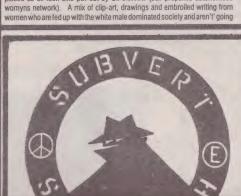
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OFF-LINE #13 (\$1 or trade/35 Barker Ave / #4G/White Plains, NY 10601) This zine really spoke to me personally. Though I find myself in agreement with much of anarchist ideology, I've always shied away from labeling myself as an anarchist for a number of reasons. One is that I'm hesitant to endorse violence as an acceptable means to pursuing our goals. Second, I refuse to go along with the "No Gods, No Masters" credo because I personally do believe in some sort of God. This zine comes from a similar perspective as my own. Claire and Vincent not only describe themselves as anarchists, but also as "recovering Catholics," something I can totally relate to being that I suppose I could similarly call myself a "recovering Baptist." This spiritual tone can be felt throughout most of the zine, but it, in no way, is the dominant subject discussed. There are also articles on police repression, SOA activism, Eugene V. Debs, youth involvement in activism, a sample letter to the IRS explaining why they refuse to pay their taxes, and even an "anarchist quiz." (-Kyle)

ONWARD VOL. 1 #2 (\$1/PO Box 2671/Gainesville FL 32602-2671) It's so marvelous to see all these new anarchist/radical newspapers coming out. Making it easier to find out about actions, news, arrests and so much more. Onward seems to always include some great theory/opinion type pieces too. This issue - updates on the Zapatista struggle along with other news from Chiapas, reports about the World Bank/ IMF actions in Prague, a look at Cointelpro, what's really happening in Yugoslavia, info on the radical student union, thoughts about social ecology and "green consumerism", part II of the black liberation army history and so much more. A lots packed into this paper, along with useful contact addresses spread through-out. (-Aprille)

PEOPleS by Fly (\$4ppd US/\$6ppd world/Fly/PO box 1318/Cooper Stn/NY NY 10276 < www.bway.net/~ fly/>) You all know and love Fly right? - (see Zero Content if you're not sure what I'm talking about).... well this is her new zine and it totally rules! Her newest project is drawing people she knows and getting their story down. She has a hand-written part that is generally the story that they tell her while the drawing is being done and then she adds in a bit at the bottom - either about how she knows the person or more about her experience during the drawing time. Fly is an amazing artist and her documentation of rad people is totally awe-inspiring and awesome to see! Some of the drawings are more sketches - but most of them are fully done drawings with tone washes and they just look so incredible. To name a few of the people included - Richard the Roadie, Wendy O-Matik, Adrienne Droogas, Cindy from Doris, Aaron Cometbus, various zinesters, artists, squatters and train-hopping crusty punks, Seth Tobocman, Pete Missing, Amyl Nitrate, Dick Lucas - a virtual who's who in the scene. But there is nothing pretentious about this. It's down to earth, honest and real - and that is why this is such an awesome project. Fly's sketchbook has always been one of the most incredible stories you could ever happen upon. And this is sort of like her way of sharing her friends, family, travels and life with all of us - as well as getting a bit of document down. She's continuing the project probably be a couple future issues of the "zine" and then in a year or so she plans to put them into a book. AMAZING!!! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*\*

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JOURNAL SONG #3 (3 stamps/PO Box 3444/Portland OR 97208-3444) This is a zine 1/4 sized personal zine that I enjoyed. The layout of it is typewriter and xerox and it's messy in a neat sort of way. He writes about his relationship. about his girlfriend with other boys, about love and life, about cold bedrooms, and drinking tea, about traveling and wanting to write amazing stories but not quite finding the words. It's not awe-inspiring - but still I enjoyed this fairly quick reading zine. (-Chris)

KRIMINAL CLASS #2 (autumn) (c/o Marco Balestrino/ CP 426 (centrale) 7100 Savona Italy < www.klasskriminale.com) This is printed on glossy paper (b&w) but in S&L tabloid format. The focus is on UK-styled Oi-Street punk with a big Holiday in the Sun festival focus, CockSparrer are on the cover (funny thing is - while this is all in Italian - on one of the CockSparrer photos there is a caption that reads "what's it like to be old?" (ouch!). There's a short interview with the Bouncing Souls, a two page spread of reviews, a back page poster of ska bands (Madness, Selector, Specials) and some other bits. It's in Italian - so some of it is hard to figure. Only 8 pages.

LABIA LICKER #1 (\$?/PO Box 11331/Eugene OR 97440) Thin, half-sized, pissed as all fuck zine put out by S.P.A.W.N. (self propelled autonomous womyns network). A mix of clip-art, drawings and embroiled writing from women who are fed up with the white male dominated society and aren't' going

Mumia comic, animal rights, East Timor, US weapons in the war in Yugoslavia, woman issues, in the punk section: Fifth of Mankind, and Sunrise, #77: updates on Seattle, history of neoliberalism, biography of Thoreau, how to organize a punk show. Punkwise: Intensity interview. #78: iokes about elections. Spanish civil war, Buddhism, World Bank gathering in Prague, feminism and anarchism, asylum comics, punkwise; Sabot, Harum Scarum, and more, #79; the latest on anti-globalization protests, diy streetfighting handbook, Polish ABC, women's issues in Afghanistan, gender issues, psychological problems of Poles today, Punk coverage: Varukers and React. Each issue also looks at independent film and art from Poland, Anarchist Black Cross info, activist updates. In each issue the punk section has tons of reviews, news, info and tons of great photos. The coverage of bands is very much akin to Slug & Lettuce. This is a great publication!! (-Chris)

MANGELSLAKT #3 (\$2/ PO Box 580402/ Mpls MN 55458-0402 <mangelslakt@aol.com//www.mangelslakt.com>) This new issue jumps in size to full format on newsprint - woowie! Covering the world-wide hardcore scene of thrash and fast hardcore punk they've got a big feature on "Pacific Rim Punk" - with a whole review section dedicated to as well as a report on bands from the whole of Asia. There's a scene report from Thailand. Info on a record distribution in Indonesia. There are band interviews with Kinous (Finland), Skullkrusher (US), Specops (from Malaysia), Onward to Mayhem (Mpls), loads of reviews of crusty noise and grind core punk rock. And a nice big section of columns. This is a zine for the extreme hardcore fanatic. It's done with a good international perspective working with in the informative network of connecting and communication. (-Chris)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOMELAND #6 (\$2/ David Lucander/ PO Box 4248/

some damn fine work. (-Kyle)

MY DYING SYMPATHY #11 (trade only/Sprout/PO Box 1287/Lawrence KS 66044) So Sprout writes to me that he thinks I will really like this one, and that since I sometimes don't get all the zines read to put some attention to this, and well Mike Antipathy makes some guest appearances if that plea isn't enough. I don't think I'm that tough, but I was intrigued none the less towards a zine that is solid text and ends up reading like one story. Problem with this zine is the cover. It's hard to decipher the name and it just doesn't lure you in. But I'm glad that I read this - cause indeed I really did enjoy it. Sprout tells the stories of his life. About working for a hippy sticker company in Eugene and then quitting to travel and roam. He drinks lots of coffee and beer and runs into random people he knows - also looking for potential festivals to sell hippy stickers at. He comes outta the world of Eugene Anarchists - and is quite critical of them. So much so in fact that he really makes you question the reactionary and defeatist actions of said "leaders" of the movement in Eugene. But that isn't what this whole zine is about. It's about life. About living in different places. About the battle of work and free time. About working a job long enough to pay the rent, until one day you just say "fuck it". He points out some really apropos things about the contradictions of the revolutionaries in Eugene and their attacks on local businesses for gentrification - all the while much more problematic things are happening. As well as these same people to draw the attention of the cops, only to criticize them for their actions. Some shit to chew on that the black clad folks will not enjoy. I did. (-Chris)

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happened to Distraught. You should be able to get a copy of this from Ralphy and Devastating Soundworks - see the ad. (-Chris)

POSITIVE #3 (autumn) (PO Box 21/ 117593 Moscow/ Russia <antpositive@mail.ru>) Here's a Russian zine (written all in Russian) bringing a very unique perspective. Unique because not only do we not see very many zines from Russia - but especially those that merge punk with politics. Apparently there's not much of a political punk scene in Russia and these folks are trying to unify and are very interested in connecting with the rest of the world. The zine looks great. Glossy cover and really nice layouts (very similar to Mac Pariadika from Poland - anarchist/punk). The translated coverage is on Red Skinheads in Russia and the history of RASH abroad. Interview with Seein Red, Distemper (from Moscow), quite a bit of reportage on festivals and on nazi and anti-fascists actions. There is an English edition being prepared, and this looks like a really good resource for Russia. (-Chris) PROPHECIES FROM THE CHILDREN OF CAIN #6 (\$2/c/o Justin Conlon/160 Summit St #1/Hyde Park, MA 02136) This was a bit touch to get thru. All computer text - which when combined with dry writing - let's just say - bad mix. Talks of the Republican Convention protests, the IMF/World Bank protests in DC, the low down on Free Trade area of the Americas (FTAA), and organization of he American States (OAS) a comparative look back at revolutionary student movements - Russia in the 8060s and Paris in 1968, the life of Pierre Joseph Pr9oudhon and the editors recent first brush with the law. While the subject matter is noble and holds hope of passion, here it just reads like a term paper, devoid of a burning fire in the pit of your stomach. (-Aprille) PUKE ZINE #2 (\$1 + stamps or trade/c/o Bri/85 Scituate Ave/Scituate, MA 02066) As the title implies, this zine is all about puke. Sordid tales of retching, most of them being alcohol induced, make up the entirety of this zine. My favorite piece is the comic by Carrie McNinch (who does Assassin and the Whiner). I guess the whole thing is kinda silly, but still, it's something that most anyone can relate to. After all, I'm pretty sure that most everyone has puked at some point in their life. This definitely sparked memories of a few of my own puke stories - huddled over the toilet, telling myself I'd never drink again (yeah right!).(-Kyle) PUKE ZINE #3 (\$2) Theme focused zines can be tough - it's



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a fine line to keep from beating the subject to death. But Bri has picked a subject that has limitless stories. Everyone has one (or two, or five) stories about puking. She's done a steady job of holding up an interesting collection of stories, put down in either written word or artwork. It covers the gamut from funny to gross.

PUNKS NOT PROFITS #8 (\$?/P.O. Box 57/Olean, NY 14760) Hmmm...its not too inviting when there is a page full of ads on the second page, but I kept reading. This is pretty good. It reviews and tells stories about different punk show houses around the country. One bad thing is that there aren't contacts for those houses, which would have been helpful for touring bands. The interviews with Kid Dynamite, Hopeless Dregs of Humanity, and a few others, are kind of boring, and are the usual interview. (-Paul)

Q FOR TREASON #2 (55 cent stamp/11053-89 Ave/Edmonton, AB T6G 0Z7 Canada/ axenic@furbymail.com) This zine basically reads like a collection of Anna's diary entries. She lists a particular days' date and then writes fairly straightforward accounts of what she did that day. Fortunately Anna leads a pretty interesting life, so even though her "diary entries" don't necessarily have a lot of depth or detail they're still really interesting to read. She hitchhikes around for awhile, gets arrested for altering some billboards, spends some time in jail, takes obscene pictures with statues of Canadian founders, and takes part in a Reclaim the Streets action. I have a feeling that as this zine progresses it will get even better and better. Lots of potential here. (-Kylc)

QUESTION EVERYTHING, CHALLENGE EVERYTHING #12 (\$2.50/406 Main St/Collegeville, PA 19426) New issue of this consistently awesome zine. Such a great mix of politics, Common sense and humor. This issue sorta has a focusthe protests last summer in Philadelphia during the Republican convention. Several accounts of the goings on along with some photos. The best being the series showing men in tuxedos removing stickers from an elephant statue. But there's also tons of other things covered- a history of milk (trying to figure out how it is we drink another species milk), tales of hanging a huge anti-circus banner outside a ringling bros. circus. a rethinking of the editors view of the death penalty (which is really honest and insightful) and still there's more! All I can say is get a hold of a copy and enjoy! (-Aprille)

R'LYEH RISING #6 (\$1ppd/PO Box 40113/Portland OR 97240-0113) What a good zine! If you are into anarcho-peace punk of the crusty D-beat style -- then you absolutely have to get a hold of this zine. Frank does such a good job with

this - it looks fantastic. All reverse copies - cut and paste strips of text style. The interviews are really good. They're not too long - but they go well beyond the standard questions and get into life in the locations of these bands - which reminds us that there is more than just music in the international punk community and getting to know a bit about these places other than just the rock of punk is a good thing. Interviews with Disclose (Japan), Age (Japan), Dread 101 (Czech). And a bit of a bio on Diatribe, an old S. Cal band of the Crucifix era that didn't get much attention (no records). The other side of this zine's focus is an obsession with HP Lovecraft. Frank says there is no connection what so ever, and most will only focus on the half (HP or Punk) that they like but perhaps will be interested in the other. Well that is the truth of it. I'm intrigued by Lovecraft, though I've never read anything, and this zine makes me want to full well expecting to get into it. There's some reviews too. The punk focus is on raw D-Beat punk - the heavy Dis type stuff - of new and old. Also a focus on Portland's punk attack — Deathcharge and War Machine. All around awesome zine. The sort of zine that sets a president and I found so many

other interviews lacking after enjoying this so much! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\* RAG HAG #6(9) (sum 00) (\$3/ c/o Skuld/ PO Box 1661/ Poughkeepsie NY 12061) I can't believe this is from last summer, cause I only just got one. Skuld's zine is a great collection of womyn positive and witch positive information. This issue takes a turn toward the witchy side much more - with a ton of collected stuff on witches and being witchy. There's a really good re-print of Sherry Gumptions article on tampons and the toxins and health risks involved as well as alternatives - very inspired writing. Most of the zine is collected materials. And Skuld does her own distribution of diy homemade cloth menstrual pads, patches, charm bracelets and other goodies. This is serious, yet upbeat, informative and yet fun

too. (-Chris) RAW PUNK BASTARDS #3 (\$1ppd US/\$2ppd world/Dar/RPB/PO Box 197/ Steger IL 60475) Another regular zine in the punk world that is worth your attention. Dan's churning these out with tons of enthusiasm and energy - it's awesome to see. The focus is on interviews - which are pretty basic and standard but cover some good bands and distros - Ripping Thrash (UK zine), Rehash (zine/distro), BBP Tapes (UK punk distro), Armistice (So. Cal Peace Punk band). Dzieci Dzarnobyla (Chicago), and Sinorden. Also zine reviews and some other bits and ads for the sake of info with a focus on zines. Mine came with a patch

too. (-Chris) REHASH #2 (Fall/Winter 2000) (\$1 US/\$2 world/Zanne/PO box 201/Troy MI

it with those who may now know where the stuff they like now even came from. She collects old interviews and reports - mostly from old issues of MRR (from the 80s) and reprints them. There are interviews with Dan (UK peace punk band that rules), Larm, Lou Giordano - Boston hardcore producer/engineer guy, and a roundtable discussion with Dig & Jenny from Earache, Les & John from Concrete Sox and some other scene reporters from Nottingham, England (some now big names) talking about the UK scene in 1985. Funny how different the "scene reports" were back them. How much we all learned from them and clung to them. There's a DRI interview from Thrasher and an Infest one from Hardware. She's got a new one with the Zero Boys. And Zanne puts plenty of her own thoughts and writing in here as well. With reviews of new stuff and throw backs to why 80s hardcore ruled. The whole zine is done in cut and paste style and it looks really great. Awesome and very much recommended! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

RESIST #41 (Bicycle Lane Industries/ PO Box 582345/ Mpls MN 55458) Another good issue with tons to read. Lots on Bikes - fixing up old neglected ones and riding in Critical Mass in different cities. Getting hit by a car on a bike and advice for how to get the one up. Matte is also into gardening and writes a little bit about container gardening and some good experiences (as well as problems) he had last year. Matte is a good writer and a critical thinker and that makes for a good zine. He chronicles through the 2nd half of last year with thoughts that are in his head and observations to life around him. He writes some good arguments about the election, voting and taxes - with a strong stance against them all. Also quite a bit of thoughts and writing on "unschooling" and homeschooling and getting kids out of the public school system and being selflearners. Matte has a young daughter so he's considering these things in relation to her. This is a great issue. Diverse and well done! (-Chris)

RIPPING THRASH #20 (\$3 surface/\$4 air ppd/c/o Steve/PO Box 1542/Burton-On Trent/ Staffs /DE14 1XX England) Was wondering what was up with a new issue ever coming out. Good to see it surfaced. Good source of band interviews and reviews, along with odd bits of writing thrown in. Chats with Dystopia. Warsore, Nuclear Mutants, Cause for Effect, Libertad Perdida, Pizda Materna and Trottel, Quite a few responses to Marck/Class War's article on working class that was in issue #19, a Malaysian scene report, tons of music/zine reviews, and other odds n' ends. The list of reasons why CDs are better than records (lifted from Unfair?'s website) was a bit ridiculous. A good solid issue. (-Aprille)

RURAL LIFE STANDARD Autumn 2000 (\$?/PO Box 433/Monee IL 60449) This

was sent by Anthony Rayson (Thoughtbombs zine, South Chicago ABC zine distro) so to get a hold of a copy write him about price or postage. It's a newspaper put together by STAND (Shut this nightmare airport down) which is a group of community activists/citizens fighting against the plans to expand the airport I which would take over their land, homes and communities. They are very vocal, enraged and ready to fight the long fight. This is a collection of articles from local papers, plans from the airport and politicians I letters exchanged between the two, notes from hearings and such. All of it very interesting and brings home the fact that the powers that be, can at any point come and take everything away from you and your neighbors. So if you live in the Chicago/Illinois area or not, show them your support. (-Aprille)

SELF-DEFENSE #6 (\$1 ortrade/Marissa Johnson/ 4951 Catharine/Philadelphia PA 19143) This has a really crisp look to it, plus it's hand sewn together and scattered with photos ranging from Chiapas to an inner city school chess club. Strange mix, but it all flows. Half of this is Marissa's journal-type thoughts of traveling to Chiapas to be an interna-

tional observer, missing the WTO Seattle actions, moving to Philadelphia and her Old (?) job of working with kids that have behavioral and/or mental disorders. She writes very simply and bare boned. the other half is an interview with a teacher in SE Washington DC elementary school. There's nothing loud or flashy about this zine and that is part of its charm. Just a piece of Marissa's world put down on paper. (-Aprille)

SHAZZBUTT! #4 the Travel Issue (\$1/Mark Novotny/ 5413 S. 6th Ave/ Countryside, IL 60525) I wasn't too impressed with the last issue of Shazzbutt that I read, but this one is way better! It basically just covers Mark's various misadventures while out traveling - getting arrested while trying to hop trains. fights between his traveling companions, arguing with a psychotic traveling preacher, how to eat for free while traveling, getting ripped off by crackheads, van troubles, etc. Mark is also really into skateboarding so there's some of that interspersed here and there. (-Kyle)

SHORT, FAST & LOUD #6 (summer 2000) (\$3ppd/New address: PO box 7337/ Alhambra CA 91802-7337) So this issue came out last summer, and I was really late in getting this. But for anyone who loves fast and crazy hardcore - this is a zine that you absolutely must know about and have copies of. There should be a new issue out right about now - and take note that Slap A Ham and Chris Dodge are moving to LA this spring too. This issue has a totally unique look to it, which

ever happened to them?, Ripcord - where are they now, Exclaim from Japan, Abstain, notable scenesters talk about 5 of the most forgotten (yet memorable) hardcore bands (which personally got me thinking about MIA - only to have their new CD re-issue show up in my box!). And all the ads are in the back in a nice directory format. Awesome zine! Very highly recommend! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

SOUL #2 (free/Rik Peeters/

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typical punk/DIY/activist type zine with news, columns, and reviews, but what sets it apart from other zines is the fact that it's from Belgium. It's pretty interesting to hear about what's going on over there, and to read about things from the perspective of someone all the way across the Atlantic. Apparently Belgium recently started the first Food Not Bombs in Belgium, and it's been successful so far. Hooray! There are a few grammatical errors here and there, but I suppose it's excusable seeing how English isn't these kids' first language. (-Kyle) SILENT CHILD. CRYING SOUL #2 fall/winter (Stig Koppen/ Koekoekstraat 7/ 2400 MoV Belgium <cryingchild@hotmail.com>) A free 6 page full sized diy newsletter from Europe. Includes news from Belgium's scene (distros, releases, food not bombs, coops, etc.), some columns, music and zine reviews, band photos, and info on food not bombs. Good format (condensed to the essentials) - very similar to Slug & Lettuce in spirit. I would send an IRC, a dollar or a trade for a copy. (-Chris)

SKITEATER #1 (\$1 or trade/ PO Box 197/Steger IL 60475) The name of this is done in

spiney letters that you can't read. This is a zine about noisy crusty punk bands. Interviews w/ Cluster Bomb Unit, Cracked Cop Skulls (which is old), Agathocles, and music reviews with an emphasis on the cassette demo tape. (-Chris)

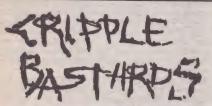
SLANDER #9 (Fall) (PO Box 66156/ Roseville MI 48066 <slander156@aol.com>) Quite honestly this is the kind of zine that holds no appeal for me. It's titled the "guy issue" and is full of clippings and collages that look like they're out of a teen beat magazine. Writing on the Detroit electronica music festival, collages of boy photos, crossword puzzles and horoscopes, a sanno page. What can I say - mainstream teeny bopper culture?

SLAVE #5 (\$2?/PO box 10093/ Greensboro NC 27404) What a great zine this is - and it's one that I always am happy to see a new issue of. It's a really good looking zine - with graphic design that takes it up a notch in zineland. The coverage is diverse and wellrounded - again taking it beyond the confines of the usual punk fanzine. It reminds me a lot of the focus that Clamor takes (and in fact the objective is the same) to expand beyond the confines of hardcore and punk into the world of independent publishing and incorporate travel, culture, art, media etc... What I like about Slave is that it does that while still very much being a hardcore-punk zine.





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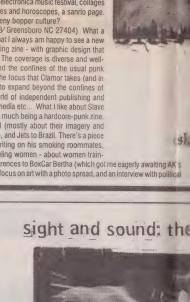
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RESIST #41 (Bicycle Lane Industries' PO Box 582345' Mpls MN 55458) Another-good issue with tons to read. Lots on Bikes - fixing pu old neglected ones and riding in Critical Mass in different cities. Getting hit by a car on a bike and advice for how to get the one up. Matte is also into gardening and writes a little bit about container gardening and some good experiences (as well as problems) he had last year. Matte is a good writer and a critical thinker and that makes for a good zine. He chronicles through the 2nd half of last year with thoughts that are in his head and observations to life around him. He writes some good arguments about the election, voting and taxes - with a strong stance against them all. Also quite a bit of thoughts and writing on "unschooling" and homeschooling and getting kids out of the public school system and being self-learners. Matte has a young daughter so he's considering these things in relation to her. This is a great issue. Diverse and well donel (-Chris)

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**SOMETHING FOR NOTHING** #50 (free/516 Third St. NE/ Masillon, OH 44646/ idy@sssnet.com) This zine is sort of like a mixed bag of jelly beans. It's got all kinds of different flavors, and for the most part they're all pretty good, but there are a few pieces here and there that I could do without (licorice gross!). Some of the better parts are ldy's description of Massillon, Ohio - the town where this zine hails from, a touching account of dealing with a miscarriage, and an indepth account of a personal run-in with the "Roberts Group" - a cult-like group that goes around to colleges looking for converts, shuns mainstream society, and eats out of dumpsters (sounds like punks to me!). There's also a few zine and music reviews. plus some reviews of healthfood fruit beverages. Also, there are subtle hints of Christianity interspersed throughout, so for those of you with an aversion to that sort of thing - BE WARNED! (-Kyle) **SORE ZINE #11** (\$1/PO Box 68711/Va. Beach, VA 23471/ sorezine@aol.com) II you combined your typical litzine with your typical music zine I suppose this is what you would get. Zine reviews, music reviews, and ads, but replace the columns and band interviews with "literature." Mostly fiction, but also some

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SPARROW ZINE #1 (stamps/243 14th St/SF CA 94103) This is put together by Skott who does Smell of Dead Fish zine also. It's an all women issue. All the writing and artwork was collected from his various female friends. A wild mix best describes it. There's stories, comics, memories, artwork and other outpourings. Wish it was longer and hopefully future issues will be. come of the contributors put out zines themselves CindyDoris and Bri/The World is Broken so the contents are all pretty solid. (-Aprille)

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currencies used in various communities (although that's still upholding the seed of capitalism), a winding detective-like look into pyramid schemes in Pittsburgh, a daily journal of actions during the Republican convention demonstrations and so much morel The artwork by Fly that is part of a series called Peeps rocks too. (-Aprille)

SUBSIDIZED MESS #4 (Winter) (stamp/co Joe Hays/70 Plum St., Apt 2/New Brunswick NJ 08901 < justcanth8enuff@hotmail.com>) Two page hardcore obsession zine. Personal rants - on the rising popularity of "thrash" hardcore

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SYNDICATE #3 (\$?/ Agenthirteen@hotmail.com) This zine starts off with some ramblings on Dustin's unhappiness with many aspects of western society, but he also throws in some bits of optimism here and there. His aspirations for personal liberation and building more positive alternatives show up occasionally. Another piece recounts a recent breakup and talks about how he's dealt with it. Up to this point the zine is fairly casual writing, but all of a sudden it takes a rather abrupt turn with an extremely formally written article that reads sort of like a college research paper. In effect, this article makes the argument that the onset of agriculture (as opposed to a hunter-gatherer type lifestyle) brought about modern civilization as we know it, and also led to pretty much all of the current problems of the modern age: disease, environmental destruction, war, authority, territorialism, work, violence towards women, etc. The article concludes by stating that liberation is impossible without the dissolution of agriculture. It's pretty interesting, I suppose, but I'm left wondering - if we turn from an agriculturally based way of

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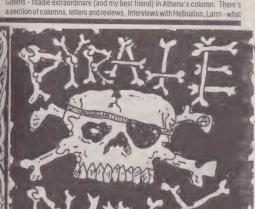
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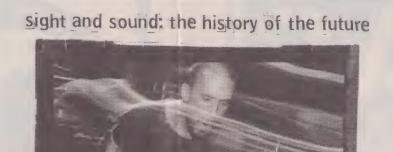
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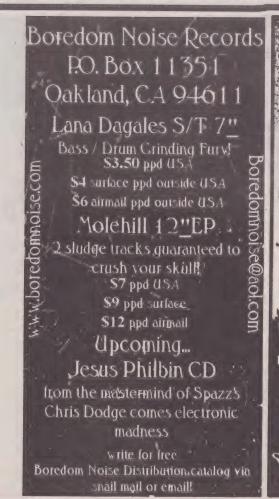
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TRUCK STOP ZINE #5 (stamps/c/o Mitch/3565 N. Morris Blvd / Shorewood W. 53211) Interesting focus-not only truck stops are covered, but it encompasses the whole road culture in a way. Gas station reviews, road trip tales, reviews of truck driving music and road inspired poetry. The intro to this was very straightup about his recent perspective shift away form automobiles/trucks - taking a look at the impact on the earth. He grapples with this new awareness thru out the pages, and % it'll be interesting to see how it transforms this zine. Stories about a deer being hit by a car, the freedom riders of the 60's (anti-segregationists that took a bus load of people deep into the south- with very violent outcomes), driving out to the zine conference in Bowling Green, growing up around a certain gas station, a review of drag racing movie 'Two Lane Blacktop', plus more. Made for

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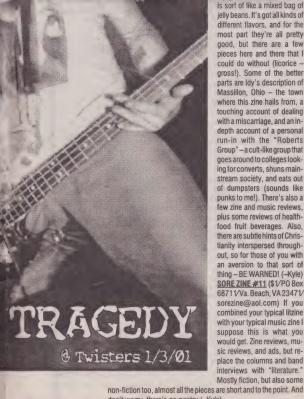
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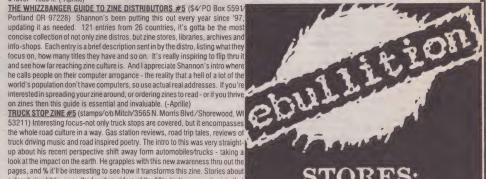
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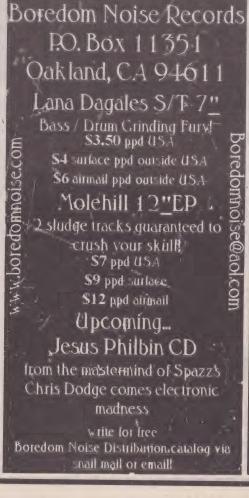
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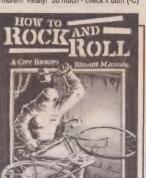
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Francisco CA 94141) (-Aprille)



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processing. wheatpasting, 8 things to do to get active and many small bits of writing and clip art. The large portion of small bits - are what help to make it awesome thoughts on the insanity that is the larger society, how to start up a cafe anarquista, brief tales from the youth liberation conference in Portland and more. #15 has a hand colored cover! Includes a list of good places to dumpster dive, pondering how to go about willing your dead body

now - and each one already contains more than I can read in the 2 month period. Clamor has easily established itself as a fantastic resource of independent media and culture with punk roots and writers. This issue's feature topic is water - the scarcity, contamination, alternatives uses and fun with water. Also coverage of the Inaguaration and so much more!!! Really! So much - check it out!! (-C)

HOW TO ROCK-N-ROLL: A CITY RIDERS REPAIR MANUAL by Sam-Tracy

Sometimes things come together in such a way as to leave a smile on my face for days. Getting this book in the mail to review, on the day I was going to go pick up a copy at Left Bank - which is further aided by getting a new bike (a neighbor gave it to me) just provided a blissful moment. Even better is the fact that - this book indeed rocks! Quite a welcomed change from "Anybody's Bike Book" It's written by Sam Tracy, who does (did?) Biker Pride, later changed to The Multiplier zine. So if you've ever read a copy of that, you'll know what to expect. Not only does he give clear, simple instructions on bike repair - but also his personal feelings on things like expensive bikes being worth it or not, bike accessories and such. Plus the straight up tone doesn't forget to throw in curse words. Instead of vague diagrams, it includes photos, which give a way easier idea of what the part looks like and also what the tool to fit it looks like. He's a bike fanatic and definitely knows his shit, but doesn't go off in mechanical biker lingo that leaves me in a fog. Because it's all about having fun - to enjoy working on your bike! Great resource even if you only ride your bike occasionally. (\$12/ Black Kettle Graphics/ PO Box 411373/ San Francisco CA 94141) (-Aprille)



Well I don't think so. This CD is a re-release of "Absolute Anticimex Country of Sweden" LP and the classic "Anti Cimex 12". This 12 is and always has been my favorite. In my eyes - this is Anti Cimex - and they're one of the best in the Dis-D-beat punk genre. And since that 12" is probably near impossible to find (?) - if you don't have it (trust me if you do you'd know cause it looks like a new wave record!) - this is your chance to get your hands on the best. The play the good old Dis-styled music with gruff vocals driven by a metallic charged beat. Very rockin. Very Discharge. But it's Anti-Cimex. A classic for sure. (Distortion Records/Box 6294/400 60 Gothenburg/Sweden) (-Chris)

ANTONELLO - A TESTS BASSA 7" Italian hardcore with melody. Translations into English are provided for all their lyrics, which are best described as "deep". Not bad stuff, but it didn't really impress me either. But it does sound like classic Italian hardcore at times and that's a bunch of points in its favor! (Rumble Fish / cb L'abbate Antonello / via Giusti 93 / 72015 Fasano <br/>br> / Italy / rumblefishap@yahoo.com) (-Jay)

ARTIMUS PYLE - CIVIL DEAD CD Okay, so you didn't get the vinyl or you like CDs better or you want the LP and 7" on one disk - that is what this is. Artimus Pyle are one of my favorite bands and if I hadn't already raved over them for the past year then I'd be losing my mind now. Let me give you the review I gave the LP last year - Holy Fucking Shif! this is one hell of an of brutality in the form of axe-grinding and wielding guitars and a drop tuned heavy throbbing power that can only even be matched or compared to HHIG. I've had this on addictive play non-stop - it's relentless. Driving powerful and frenzied while being totally tight and not one big of blast beat mayhem. It's got the full throttled speed and energy of old-school hardcore as the foundation while drawing from the late 90s styled hardcore for the heavy evil sound and sour heaving throbbing. The throbbing thrust will rattle you and it shakes the very center of your being and the sour notes

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kills, third world debt, household bills" are catchy in a super sing-a-long way. This is awesome!! Up there with the very best of UK-political punk and addictive as well! In fact this has become a favorite to listen of late and it's kinda cool at a time when there are not a hundred different bands playing this style. It's more a reminder of 80s Crass Records - Mob and Zounds type stuff. (\$6ppd/BBP/Box 81/82 Colston Xt/Bristol BS1 5BB England) (-Chris)

CARNATED - WHAT MAKES THE ENGINE RUN CD On my first glance, I thought this was gonna be a just a ROCK record, but it's more of the screamyemo-loud guitar-stuff that is quite popular nowadays, but then a second later, you are getting a fast blurr of craziness coming out of your speakers. You don't often get screamy-emo that also has sing-a-long parts mixed in. I am NOT a fan of the screamy/emo stuff that has seemed to have snuck in the back door when I wasn't looking, but this cd really kept me interested for it's diversity. There are parts I wasn't into, but the fast & furious parts seemed to keep my ears glued. (Positive Outlook Recordings, 14 Huntly Grove, Peterbrough, PE1 4DJ UK) (-Dave)

CHAOTIC END - IN FRONT OF PARANOIA CD Incredible crusty punk from Greece (featuring members of Hibernation). This is one of my favorites of the season - one of the those CDs that I put on and never take off. It's powerful and heavy and with charged energy and speed crossed with dirgey power. Very metallic with a super huge sounding recording - which delivers even more power. They've got a tundra-warrior feeling in some of the sounds and feeling leading up to songs and in between them - which reminds me of the Amebix a whole bunch and even Misery - except that Chaotic End have such a strong metallic edge that they are really only similar to those bands but charting into their own league of some of the best gruff vocaled, epic metallic crust punk. I fucking love it!!! Really - I've started to run out of words here - but this has been the one CD I've listened to the most for the past several months! (\$10ppd/ Alex/ PO Box 24107/ 11110 Athens Greece) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*\*

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Bronson. Everything you could possibly want is here in one package, for the kids that are too poor to afford the vinyl versions on Ebay, you can get it all here. Low-fi punk-thrash, with absolutely no selling points for a major label to care about. These guys played lots of short & fast songs, none of which will ever be heard on "rock" radio, though they DO rock pretty fucking hard! There are lots of funny samples between the songs too, which make this fun to listen to. I never owned too many of their releases, since I hate doing mailorder, and most of the stores I shopped at never were lucky enough to get their stuff in stock. The ones I did own were pretty cool though, especially the split with Crossed Out. It's amazing that they recorded SO MANY damn songs, cuz there are 100+ on the first disc alone! (Youth Attack Records/Murray Hill Station/ PO Box 1622/NY NY 10156) (-Dave)

CIVIL DUTY - TAPE This is a really good band. Way above average quality for a tape. The recording is awesome - the vocals and music are loud and proportionate. Super energetic, fast, catchy, so it's like got the chorus singalong in a crunchy accented manner. Just awesome. Totally good all the way. You can put your fist in the air, you can get some energy for driving. They have a song with a "fuck punk rock" that is a little bit strange and "I want violence" - and there are no lyrics. One space jam song - which sucks. But otherwise this rocks - but I want lyrics. (\$3ppd/Civil Duty/6038 N Knoll Ave/Fresno CA 93711 < DirtyRottenDave@aol.com >) (-Chris)

CIVIL RIGHTS - E.P. 7" Memorable Japanese hardcore not unlike Deathside and many of the current greats on the HG Fact label. There's an abundance of rock influence here, and at times the guitar can go off into those crazy solos we've all grown to love. It should also be noted that these same songs were also released as their "demo 2000" cassette... so if you've heard that one then you've heard this one. To all the Japanese hardcore fans... Make sure to track this one down! And don't be put off by the less than grabbing cover art (there demo had that same problem, though this is a different design). This will deliver what you need!! (Civil Rights/c/o Nigai/79 Uomachi Toyohashi Aichi /440-0894/Japan) (-Jav)

COCK SPARRER - LIVE; RUNNIN' RIOT ACROSS THE USA CD There aren't nany bands from the early 80's that have managed to stay true to their original message, but Cock Sparrer is a band that has stood the test of time. These guys played their first tour of the USA in 2000, and after hearing this disc, I am ummed I missed it. These guys started in the early 80's as a fun loving, but lyrically confrontational non-political oi band, and the music & message have really not changed since then. These guys are responsible for writing such classics as "Take Em All", "Working", the legendary "England Belongs To Me", as well as tons of other singalong gems. This live cd is a great document of that tour & the recordings are combined from two shows, one in San Francisco, and the other from NYC. All the classics are well played, and by the audience participation, it sounds like the crowds at the gigs were having a blast. While other bands from their era should have called it quits long ago, it's to see that Cock Sparrer still deliver the goods with all the im-

COCKROACH - STAY ANGRY 7" Fast, urgent blasts of politically conscious hardcore from the Netherlands. This EP is good, and all fans of full speed ahead hardcore will surely like this screaming mad shit! Despite the name... (Acme Records/PO Box 441/Dracut, MA/01826/USA/jevicci@juno.com) (-Jay) COLEKO - STAYWELL CLINIC CD Emo/Indie rockin' core... Not something I'm particularly into... I think their promo sheet describes them good enough, so I'll use some choice quotes... "Scrambled guitar efforts", "army-esque drill sergeant vocals"...ok, sure... "Foundation laying bass lines" and finally "occasionally odd-metered and technical drumming". Sound ok? At times the melodies make me think of Jawbreaker tunes. They've got plans to swim upstream against the "pop music feces". Try not to run into any of Jawbreaker's shit on the way guys... (Cool Guy Records/PO Box 2361/Santa Fe Springs, CA/90670) (-Jay) COMPLICITE CANDIDE - ... VZDYT STROJUM TOLIK CHUTNA LP The Czech republic's answer to the Dead Kennedys. This starts off with keyboards and an almost new wave/gothic feel (the intro and outro are by Philip Glass), but after



that all I hear are the Dead Kennedys. It's pretty good if that's what you're looking for, and they do seem to have the same sense of politics... (Malarie records/c/ m Martin Valasek PO BOX 153/75661 Roznov P/R/Czech Republic) (-Jay) COUNTERVAIL - IN THE EVENT OF AN UNSCHEDULED LANDING CD Four tracks on Status Recordings from Countervail... It's math-rock with a Deadguy approach to manic guitars & screeching vocals. Lots of rolling drums & thunderous guitars make this get a few plays on my stereo. I like ep's like this, cuz if a band is good, you can usually get a feel of what they're about by only a few songs. They even toss in some weird programming in the songs to keep it from falling into the generic "chugga chugga" category. Great recording & smooth layout too. (Status Recordings, PO Box 1300, Thousand Oaks, CA 91358) (-Dave)

CRESS - FROM VIOLENCE TO CONSUMERISM 7" So Cress is one of my favorites - they can do no wrong - all their stuff rules! They're very British - with super strong accented vocals that are sung out real prominent and clear. They draw heavily on the old Crass-punk style — but amp it up a few notches with a super kickin drum beat and a super rockin' tempo and style. They've got a snyth sound in there too - which adds a layer of 80s feeling to it - but with a totally current powerful style. Super strong punch - without being "hard". I love this band. Now the only thing is - the records all look the same (very distinct) and while I thought this was new - it's just been re-released here in the US. I love CRESS!!! (Tribal War Records/1951 W. Burnside #1936/Portland OR 97209)

CRIPPLE BASTARDS - IL GRANDE SILENZIO 7" It seems like whenever I get a new Cripple Bastards EP (or split, especially) the tracks on it are always revisited, revamped, remixed, etc. Which I'm a total sucker for, I'll treat it just like a new release, with constant, though familiar listens. But I've never heard these songs before. And it's great to hear new material by Italy's best grindcore thrashers! Any fans look out, this is a record you must get! (Rhetoric/PO Box 82/Madison, WI /53701/USA) (-Jay)

CRIPPLE BASTARDS - MISANTHROPO A SENSO UNICO CD Cripple Bastards fans prepare for the aural slaughter. Here's 33 minutes worth of new material from these masters of Italian grinding hardcore. This is probably the most brutal thing they've done so far... or at least the most metal. But most of their stuff tends to be that way.... And as far as these songs go, I can already hear a couple new favorites here. So, to those who've been waiting... Be prepared for the new audio terrorism that is Misanthropo A Senso Unico. (Deaf American c/o R. Hoak/#3 Bethel Church Rd. / Dillsburg, PA / 17019 / rich666@voicenet.com) (-Jay) CRISPUS ATTUCKS - THE FIRST ALBUM CD This band is awesome! Totally energetic, super catchy, hardcore punk - straight from the heart. The lyrics are good and meaningful. Their is passion and sincerity behind the jump around and have fun music. Essentially this is all that you hope for in a hardcore punk band. Well at least - I'm totally smitten with them. Hove this CD and have been listening to it tons. I feel like I should say so much more - like how they've got a raging

on the old-roots of hardcore punk and bringing it to the present with their own mark. When a band is really good - sometimes you don't need to say too much more than that. (Soda Jerk Records/ POB 4056/ Boulder CO 80306) (-Chris)

CROW - \$77" OH MY GOD - CROW!!! This band has changed my life. I'm not the biggest Japanese hardcore freak and so I've never really known about this band, though I do remember the hullabaloo last year when they came to play in SF. So this year while I was there - Robert turned me on to Crow - amazed that I hadn't heard them- and once hearing them I agreed. I stood there with my mouth dropped open and went absolutely crazy. Got to the point where all I wanted to do was talk about Crow and how much I liked them. When Robert originally described them to me - it was all about how many Amebix patches the singer had on his clothes (it's also worth noting that the guy hasn't changed in 10 or 15 years - which is pretty interesting). So this is the new recording from the re-formed Crow. They are anthemic metallic thrash from Japan - with a triumphant rock quality to them and a thundering and throbbing drive of heavy power. They also have a propensity toward out of control wanky guitar solos. And even as one who hates that more than anything - it's okay - cause they rock so hard I can over look a short wank of the guitar and it sounds like the English Dogs anyway. So here are a few new songs of axe-wielding Ameba-grinding thrash that rocks hard enough to be worthy of the motorcycle boots. It's not that they sound like the Amebix so much - but if you like the Amebix - I think you will definitely like Crow and you will enjoy the cover of "No Gods No Masters" cause it's so fucking fast! I fucking love Crow. And I seriously considered dispensing with the entire review section in this issue to just say "CROW"!!! (Prank Records/PO Box 410892/ SF CA 94141-0892) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*\*

DALTONIC - RADIO ON CD I can't say this ISN'T "punk", since I don't think a "sound" makes a band anymore/less "punk". It's that I get more of a "rock"band-feel from this. They play their brand of punky-indie-rock with lots of actual singing, rather than screaming, which makes it more enjoyable. They do take a solid stab at Dagnasty's "Understand", and I think Dagnasty have been influential on them. College radio fans will probably eat it up. (Phyte Records, PO Box 90363, Washington, DC 20090 phyte.com) (-Dave)

DECONTROL - IN TRENCHES... LP This record sets Decontrol at the front of the d-beat pack (with the pack leader as Discharge, of course). It's incredibly heavy, vet at the same time retains an almost Amebix like quality, which is especially heard in the first track. There's also notable influence from Motorhead to help round out the otherwise Scandinavian sound. And to those that might dismiss Decontrol due to their name, it's your own loss. Because this is some of the best

with that are quite guttural and rough and it's got a super crunch - akin to Hatebreed and the backup power choruses remind me of old NYHC (when metal infiltrated). For those who like the power-metal-hardcore - check them out. (Now or Never Records/61 Riordan PV Shrewsbury NJ 07702) (-Chris) DIOS HASTIO - ADVENIMIENTO DE LO INEVITABLE 1196-99 CD Powerful thrashing hardcore punk from Peru. All lyrics are in their native tongue, so no English here... just passionately pissed screams paired with harsh hardcore Dark imagery and a great sense of punk record design are also present here. Which makes for a damn fine looking & sounding release!! Plus this one's long! Move aside or be crushed by the awesome force that is Dios Hastio! (Dios Hastio c/o Jose M. / PO Box 4370 / Lima 1 / Peru / email: dioshastio@mixmail.com) (-Jay)

END ON END - S/T CD Melodic hardcore. Lots of stop start parts that pull in the power and punch while holding melodic harmonies. This is a totally solid band that blends together the old DC sound with some So. Cal. hardcore energy. Not really a surprising combination and it works well. There's some chunky guitar parts - the start stop chuggs. It's not heavy - but powerful enough to have some drive. And also some super melodic parts. It's pretty catchy and the vocals are clear and straight forward so it could have sing-along potential. I am not insane over this, though they're good. I much prefer the energized hardcore parts to the super melodic ones. (This Guy Records/ PO Box 25725/LA CA 90025)

FABULOUS DISASTER - PUT OUT OR GET OUT CD These SF women deliver some much poppier tunes than I might have thought from their bad-ass portrayal. In fact their style is very sing-songey. Her vocals are really wellsung (she's got a great voice) and they harmonize and the music is super catchy and super poppy. This is the sort of thing that in the right mood - I really like it, but it's not the sort of thing I want to listen to all the time. But I always like to see a good solid all girl band rockin' out, and they do that. (Pink & Black/ PO Box 190516/SF CA 94119) (-Chris)

FALLAS - MUSICA PARA LA RESISTENCIA CASSETTE Anarcho / Political hardcore from Mexico. All vocals are in Spanish, but lyrical translations are provided in the huge booklet included with this. This release is great, with memorable songs and a well thought out layout/design. Hopefully we'll all be seeing more of this band in the future because this shit rocks! (Fallas/c/o Alejandro Arias/Isla Baru #2953/Col. Jardines De La Cruz/C.P. 44950, Guadalajara Jal/Mexico/email: lacomon@yahoo.com) (-Jay)

FALSE IDENTITY - EP CD Straight to the heart of hardcore punk rock this short CD blasts into a frenzy of high-paced energy that is super catchy and like an

> adrenaline rollercoaster ride. The vocals are on the snotty side and they roll out in a super fast manner. The music on the super fast blazing trails catchy side. Talk about hardcorepunk with no bullshit. Tons of addicted catchy energy. Unfortunately there are no lyrics and no address - which is a shame cause I would really recommend this band. They do have a website: <drink.to/falseidentity>. (-Chris)

> FED UP - SICK FUCKS CD DEMO Eight songs from this New York band, and aside from the kinda flat production. It is a decent first effort. The vocals are kinda muffled, so I don't know what he's singing about without a guick reference of the lyric sheet/insert. The song "Chupa Chocha" will probably piss off a few folks, with lyrics like "ready for action/hard as a rock/get on your knees & suck my cock", but who knows what is sarcasm & what is not. This is musically very much a throw back to the late 80's NYC "sound", with a almost Murphys Law style to it. The vocals are more Cause For Alarm-esque. The layout is very DIY, in that it's all xeroxed & a cd-r, but it's only a demo, so you can't kill 'em for it. (Fed Up! PO Box

640251, Oakland Gardens, NY 11364) (-Dave) FINAL MASSAKRE - THE BELLS OF HELL TOLL THE FINAL CHIME 7" Portland's "full metal jacket d-beat raw punk". That's pretty right on there. Music is heavy and drop tuned with a metallic edge. Played at raging speed. The vocals are guttural bursts of deep and raw screams - almost muddled. They've got the Dis-tempo holding the pace at the foundation with the guitars and rockin' pace. And a few of the songs sound like they could be covers or else Discharge clones. The lyrics are dis-styled too - simple basic and straight forward. Okay, so it's nothing too ground breaking or original - but they do the d-beat raw punk thing damn well. (Tribal War Records/1951 W. Burnside #1936/Portland OR 97209) (-Chris)

FOUNDATION - S/T CD For those who don't live in Richmond and know Robbie - then you might know him as the singer for Ann Beretta. This is Robbie's acoustic solo project. I've thoroughly enjoyed seeing Robbie play at Banditos and Sweetwater (our local bars) doing these songs. He's got a great voice and I love the songs he writes. They've got a very sentimenta emotional quality - and if you try to watch/listen to this after your best friend has just left town you will be sure to start crying (if you are me). But likewise there is just as much fun and happiness in these songs. Robbie can really sing



d-beat ever created in this part of the world, and it's one of the most highly recommended albums of the year (at least if you ask me). (\$10ppd N.America /\$12ppd World to: Iron Bastard records/PO Box 56/Pickle Lake ON/POV 3A0

**DEMOLITION - ROAD IS FREE CD** This Japanese band first impressed me with their LP "darkness filled my soul", but now their back with 5 raging new tunes. Imagine the vocal style and metal punk prowess of GISM mixed with the dirty rockn'roll of Motorhead and you get an idea what your in for. Complete with the double bass drumming assault of Philthy Animal or Mikkey Dee (another Motorhead comparison?). I just wish it were longer; clocking in at less than 14 minutes, it's more like an EP than full length. But it's highly recommended for all who want to rock and are unable to do so because of the weak shit out today. This is a great example of what good rockn'roll can sound like (punk). (Answer/Hase Bld No2 B1, 5-49/Osu 3 Naka-Ku Nagoya City, Aichi 460/Japan) (-Jay) DIECAST - DAY OF RECKONING CD Super metal-hardcore hybrid. More metal than hardcore - but with punchy hardcore mosh beats and punchy vocals that are definitely hardcore influenced. But they also tread into that new territory of some real singing - something that gets dubbed Nu-metal these days I believe. Did VOD start this kinda thing? Well it's really quite decent - albeit, a bit out of slug and

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CIVIL DUTY - TAPE This is a really good band. Way above average quality for a tape. The recording is awesome - the vocals and music are loud and proportionate. Super energetic, fast, catchy, so it's like got the chorus singalong in a crunchy accented manner. Just awesome. Totally good all the way. You can put your fist in the air, you can get some energy for driving. They have a song with a "fuck punk rock" that is a little bit strange and "I want violence" - and there are no lyrics. One space jam song - which sucks. But otherwise this rocks - but I want lyrics. (\$3ppd/Civil Duty/6038 N Knoll Ave/Fresno CA 93711 < DitryRottenDave@aol.com>) (-Chris)

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DECONTROL - IN TRENCHES... LP This record sets Decontrol at the front of the d-beat pack (with the pack leader as Discharge, of course). It's incredibly heavy, yet at the same time retains an almost Arnebix like quality, which is especially heard in the first track. There's also notable influence from Motorhead to help round out the otherwise Scandinavian sound. And to those that might dismiss Decontrol due to their name, it's your own loss. Because this is some of the best



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FALLAS - MUSICA PARA LA RESISTENCIA CASSETTE Anarcho / Political hardcore from Mexico. All vocals are in Spanish, but lyrical translations are provided in the huge booklet included with this. This release is great, with memorable songs and a well thought out layout/design. Hopefully we'll all be seeing more of this band in the future because this shit rocks! (Fallas / c/o. Alejandro Arias / Isla Baru #2953 / Col. Jardines De La Cruz / C.P. 44950 / Guadalaiara Jal/ Mexico / email: lacomon@yahoo.com) (-Jay)

FALSE IDENTITY - EP CD Straight to the heart of hardcore punk rock this short CD blasts into a frenzy of high-paced energy that is super catchy and like an

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FOUR HUNDRED YEARS - THE NEW IMPERIALISM CD This may well be the farewell release from this home-town Richmond band, cause they've called it quits. Too bad, but this is an awesome departing gift - this CD is awesome. It's much less discordant and crazy than I remember them being the last time around... I think they've gone back to an older style (at least how I remember them) of being much more mello and melodic. Not to say that there is any lack of anger, passion or soul though - cause this band is full of all that - and there is also a biting edge to it all. They weave through some totally intense parts. to some melodic pretty guitar parts, with a steady drive throughout. Lots of DC hardcore influence and for that matter Richmond and Philly emo as well. Emo references are not my forte, so I won't mention any. The lyrics are really good commentary on the Philly demo last summer, government, the voice of the people, social interaction - all good stuff. The vocals are diverse as the music - mid-range and understandable - sometimes intense and more harsh, while other times quite well sung. Tons of passion and feeling and with a groove that you can get down with. Awesome! (Lovitt Records/PO Box 248/ Arlington VA 22210-9998) (-Chris)

FUCK ON THE BEACH - ENDLESS SUMMER LP While I've never been a big fan of powerviolence, I found this release raging! Japan's FOTB have developed a tight, and intense playing style that has just the right mix of hardcore sounds. Of course there's the great Japanese hardcore sound that immediately comes to mind. But then there's also a well-done mix of powerviolence in both the blast beats and slower breakdowns (which doesn't happen a lot). A cool release! And it's on opaque yellow viny! to boot! (Slap A Harn/PO Box 420843/San Fran. CA/94142-0843/USA) (-Jay)

HATED YOUTH - HARDCORE RULES 7" Coolold Florida hardcore, dug up from the grave and brought to life courtesy of Burrito records hardcore obscurities revival project. It delivers everything the classic hardcore fan desires. With rough and dirty guitar riffs plus pissed off shouted vocals, most anyone could tell that this was a band that just didn't give a fuck. The little promo sheet says they were Florida's answer to DRI. I dig. (Sound Idea/PO Box 3204/Brandon, FL/33509-3204/USA/Email: sndidea@k.netcom.com) (-Jay)

HELLKRUSHER - VICTIMS OF HATE 7" This reminds me more of their first 12" than what! 've heard from them for the past few years. They 've got a highly charged metallic energy - driven by crunching guitars - and the distinct disvocals. They 've always been one of the dis-punk mainstays and they 've been consistently good and a favorite. But after listening to this a whole bunch! I found that! got kind of bored. Raging and galloping and heavy with distortion in a way that will hit you against the wall. The record stays on pretty much the same level and I think that is where! I feel I've heard it before. But then again, there is something to be said for steady consistency - cause as! listen again, it's really fucking good! Solid, heavy, powerful and full tilt rockin. (Skuld Releases/Malamsheimerstr. 14/71272 Renningen/Germany) (-Chris)

HHH - COMPLETE DISCOGRAPHY 1985-1993 2xCD Classic raw fucking hardcore thrash from Spain! This contains 2 CDs (!!) worth of tracks documenting HHH's songs throughout the years. And both discs are packed full of rare tracks!! There's even tons of and live and never before released tracks!! This band was so important to the Spanish hardcore scene: it's great to see them documented in such an incredible way! For those of you who already know of them, this will be your new godsend, and for those yet to hear HHH's glory, be prepared to be blown away!! (<Boisleve>/S. Ritzenthaler/3 Bvd des Trois Croix/35000 Rennes/France/email: coinxxcoin@yahoo.fr) (-Jay) HHH - MAKING CHANGES CD From the same label that brought you the CARNATED cd. I hold in my hands the HHH cd. Comparable in style with what I liked about the CARNATED cd, there more emphasis on message & fast drumming, rather than the guitar being the major force. The vocals take more of a "vouth crew" approach, but are spat out faster. The topics are not very new, but since the lyrics seem to take priority OVER a need for "mosh parts", that is a plus. I like solid music WITH a solid message, and these guys do a decent job. (Positive Outlook Recordings, 14 Huntly Grove, Peterbrough, PE1 4DJ UK) (-Dave)

JILTED - FOLLIA OMICIDA 7" Italian hardcore-punk played with speed, energy and intensity. Their style is fast and energetic with a biting edge while also having a punchy and even a touch of a strong pogo drum beat here and there. They do a Negative Approach cover of "Tied Down". The songs are short and fast. The vocals are growly and raspy and of a political slant. They blend the hardcore and the punk together really well-(Angry Records/c/o Fulvio Dogilotti/ CP 280/15100 Alessandria Italy <a href="mailto:angryrec.@iol.it">angryrec.@iol.it</a>) (-Chris)

JUGGLING JUGULARS - PROPACANDA IMMUNITY - THERE IS MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE...CD This Finnish band has been making some great hardcore punk for years - with numerous releases - all of which fantastic, but never getting the talk and attention I would expect. This new release has a bit of a different sound with the addition of female vocals - making for a dual male and female vocal style - which is awesome. They play straight forward hardcore punk. Fast with a catchy tempo. Energetic and driving while retaining melody. Parts are more sung - while others are blasted out. I really like the new

while these may be typical influences for a rocking metallic hardcore band (at least one from Finland), they work well for these five young men. The strongest influence I hear comes from mid to late period Terveet Kadet and early to mid period Sepultura. Making a good style, that's saturated with heavy guitar riffs. All they really need is some breakneck thrash speed to come into play and this would stay in the CD player. Maybe next release??? Also, comes with a cartoon, which is entirely in Finnish. It certainly looks interesting... (Jyrki Nissinen-Vieremantie 10/74200 Vierema/Finland/tunteiden\_tulkki@hotmail.com) (-Jay)

KAAOS - NUKKE-EP7" Take a trip back to 1985 with this classic Finnish hardcore record. These songs stand the test of time (as most classics do) and show that Kaaos can still hold their own, even in today's thriving international hardcore scene. Plus I was excited to see that an English translation of the lyrics is included! Make sure to read the song "The Doll", which is this records title track (in Finnish it's Nukke), to see their thoughts on issues don't include the nihilistic sex, drugs and rock n' roll attitudes that some reading into the name Kaaos might expect. So send Havoc \$3 and own a Finnish punk classic without having to pay those crazy out of print record prices! (Havoc Records / PO Box 8585 / Minneanolis, MN/55408/USA) (-Jay)

KAFKA PROSESS - INGEN FATTIGE/INGEN RIKE LP Okay, so my punk history knowledge is a little bit lacking right now - but this so classic and familiar that I'm sure that this is a re-issue. It's totally awesome and truly is classic. They've got a great recording which really delivers the power of this Dutch band. They've got a hard driving tempo, while also have a rather melodic, and an 80s sound. From back in the day where it didn't have to be hard driving mayhem solid through - in order to have a biting edge. And this is politically fueled hardcore. Akin to the obsessive Scandinavian hardcore with a touch of Discharge and Indigesti - but so much more. Kafka Prosess manage a driving punchy tempo with variations in speed never wavering in the powerful intensity. It's like I can hear the history of the Chipas Ambulance project. (Skuld Releases/ Malmsheimstr.14/ 71272 Renningen Germany) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

KILL YOUR IDOLS - NO GIMMICKS NEEDED CD Being a big fan of this band, I am of the opinion that they can never do wrong, and this cd backs up that statement 110%. This 5-piece from Long Island, NY bring us a long overdue full length release of their own brand of old school punk & hardcore fury. These guys have had various line-up changes, but with each change they just seem to get better & better! This record has 17 tracks, with my two favorites being "words without actions", which is basically about how punk is more than JUST music & the importance of sticking up for what you believe. Hell, it is my FAVORITE k.y.i. song! Another standout is "Stop Comparing Us To Negative Approach", which, as the title says, is directed to all the people that found one band that KYI could easily be compared to & seemed to pigeonhole KYI in the process, I, myself, am guilty of this, and I still may do it from time to time, but damn, I WISH I was in a band that was good enough to be considered similar to NA, since NA are one of my favorite early 80's hardcore bands. KYI have expanded their sound & style, and I can see why they are tired of the NA comparisons, since they may sound similar, but have grown into being MORE than a NA clone. Bands that can pull off the perfect blend of GREAT music with an equally GREAT message are few & far between, but KYI definitely is one of those bands, without a doubt! For any PIST fans. Al even makes a vocal appearance on this thing too! (Blackout! Records. PO Box 1575, NYC, NY 10009) (-Dave)

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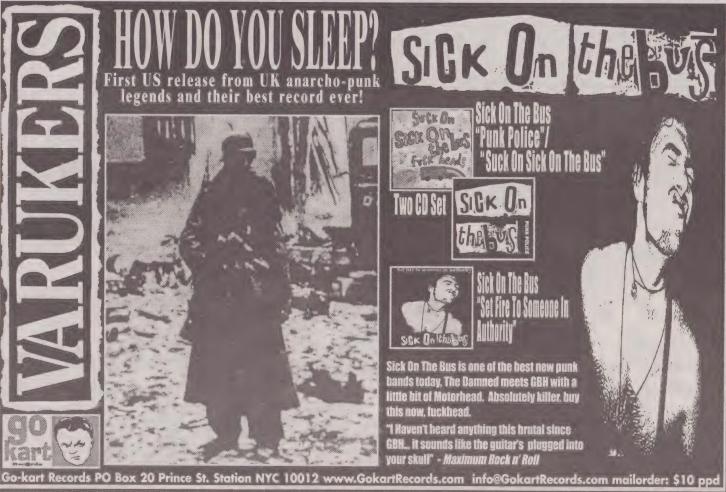
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- and it's so awesome to see him resurface after a bunch of years and I know he always liked this stuff - so like Chad from Brother Inferior - I love to see other punks delving into the Irish roots and putting together some damn fine bands. This is a short CD - only 5 songs. Erik's vocals are deep and gruff, but he sings from deep in the belly with a heartfelt feeling. The music's got a driving energy, a fiddle, a sqeezebox and all that makes the traditional sounds. They've got a jolly ho-down feeling that makes you dance and jump and love it (if you like the Celtic - Irish stuff ). They could play at the Celtic festival. All fucking right! I want to hear MORE! (Broken Rekids/PO Box 460402/SF CA 94146-0402) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\* SEIZED - LIVE AT KFJC CD A live release that's limited to 50 copies (no, it's not a CDR). Bass heavy dirge/slow-core pain, inflicted over a half hour period. Not for the meek or easily bored Ritalin addicts. It's interesting, with a nice looking screen-printed sleeve, but I'm not sure why they would go thru all the effort for just 50 copies. I guess this type of shit does have a limited fan base... but 50 copies?? (Les Productiones Gobelin/PO Box 893/Sherbrooke, QC/JIH 5LI/

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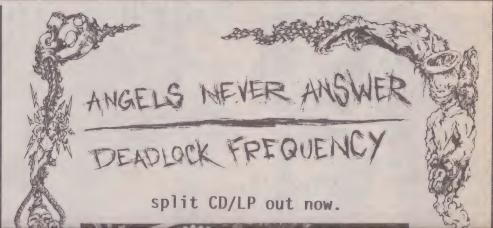
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Spit: ANGELS NEVER ANSWER/DEADLOCK FREQUENCY - SPLITLP What an awesome LP - it's hand silk-screened and looks good and both bands are awesome in totally different ways. In fact it's like a different world on each side - and yet it works out cause they're both good. Deadlock Frequency erupt in an intense explosion of manic discordant death metal influenced hardcore. They've got the raging Swedish styled guitars but don't stick to that the whole way through. The vocals are guttural and screamy. Kinda reminds me a bit of Darkest Hour. Powerful, heavy and intense in epic proportions. Angels Never Answer take on a more straight forward hardcore style... but it's damn good. They're got tons of energy, power and angst... the vocals are pretty straight forward and break into an almost emo talk at times. They've got some Swedish styled power guitars - but only a touch. Also a touch of DC hardcore influence too. Both bands are totally solid and fucking awesome!! Good old hardocore punk! And the sort of record and split that I can listen to over and over and not tire of! Recommended. (see ad). (\$9ppd/\$10 world/Paco Garden Rec/PO Box 18455/Denver CO 80218-0455) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

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PROPAGANDHI - TODAY'S EMPIRES, TOMORROW'S ASHES CD Propagandhi tread on unique ground. They bring hardcore politics and social consciousness into the world of pop-punk. Old fans of them, will note quite a difference in this first new record in like 5 years. They've got a lot more crunch and gruff power to them — which means that a lot of people who didn't really like them before - may. While old fans, will likely be critical. The vocals are less prominent than in the past. But the music has way more crunch and power. which personally I like. The lyrics are still strong manifestos of epic length. Propagandhi are kind of like Bad Religion in that they bring a lot of ideas, statements and meaning into a world of punk that is often lacking in that way. And therefore they also draw in a whole new interest from people who often don't go for the pop punk or fat sound. This is guite a good release - and it's full of catchy hooks that will stick with you, grow on you and become a classic favorite! (Fat Wreck Chords/PO Box 193690/SF CA 94119-3690) (-Chris) PROTESTERA - KAMPEN GAR VIDARE (The Struggle Continues) LP Wow! This is fucking beyond awesome - on all levels. First of all I think I can easily say this is my favorite record of the month, and even my new favorite band. This Swedish band plays powerful in your face anarcho-crusty punk. They're

loud and clear - through the lengthy sound bytes (against police brutality) and the lyrics that you can hear and understand are many and they are a rally cry to fight back against oppression and injustice. The music is absolutely raging, power packed, metallic attimes punk rock. Akin to Aus Rotten, yet more diverse. It feels like there's a ton of people in the band - but I think there are at least 3 singers - 2 male voices and one female. The dynamics are awesome and the inspiration strong. Kwangju is a city in South Korea where an uprising against the dictator government. Following the uprising there was a short period of peace where the ideals of anarchy were seen through the sharing and redistribution of goods. This is the sort of ideas and rebellions which fuel this band. The lyric booklet is incredible - long in-depth stories of rebellion - political prisoners, animal liberation, ColnelPro, ecocide, light back against corporations... All put to a very powerful and intense Conflict style of punk. Awesome!!! (\$Bppd'Tribal War Records/1951 W. Burnside #1936/Portland OR 97209) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

REVERSAL OF MAN - DISCOGRAPHY CD "This discography is a 27 song collection of split releases, singles, demos, and compilation tracks that have never been available on compact disc." The only things I need to add... This is polished discordant hardcore with plenty of emo violence screaming. And also the CD is 67+ minutes long, so that's a plus if you dig this style... (Schematic Records/Distributed by: No Idea/PO Box 14636/Gainsville, FL/32604) (-Jay) RIISTETYT-TERVETULOA KUOLEMA - 7" This Finnish band plays in the classic Scandinavian style with an extra charge in their guitars that has them played power packed adrenaline style. Super tight and fast with a heavy rockin tempo. The lyrics are super simple (like Discharge) - except with English translations I

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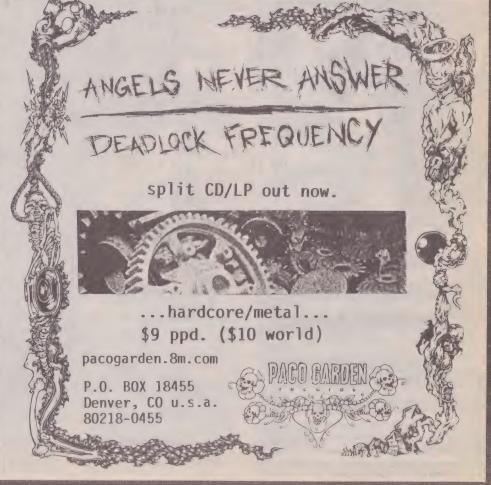
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Splt: BGP/KOALSLAW - split 7" Bad Gene Pool (BGP) starts this off with lofi thrashing hardcore shit. Their sound is as polished as their choice of sleeve art (not very...). Still, I can't help but sort of like this... but I will admit it's rather shitty! Koalslaw are in the same general vein, but have more of a crust style. Their lyrics are pretty stupid, so it's hard to really get into 'em. All in all, an "OK" release, (3ppd to: Crazy Hot Dog ec./PO Box 603/Houlton, ME 04730) (-Jay) Spit: BREAD AND WATER/REASON OF INSANITY - SPLIT 7" I was thrilled to see a new Bread and Water release cause on all the past few 7"s - they've made a strong impression as one of the best new political hardcore bands around. They keep to their own style - playing driving hardcore with melody. Amie's vocals are awesome and powerful while some more growley ones back it all up - and they've got some really gruff vocaled parts too. The lyrics are good as well. There's a bit of weaving meandering guitar lines as well. I'm not sure I like this one as much as the last, but this is still a favorite band. Reason of Insanity remind me so much of Septic Death - in the vocals. I mean so much I had to play it for Todd and Jay. Meaning that the vocals are really dominant - with a deep guttural style and a throw in the voice. I've gotten totally into both these bands. The musical style is galloping and raging punk core with a touch of melody and catchy guitar hooks as well. A good split - and both bands toured together and I missed them! Ugh! (Burrito Rec/Sound Idea/PO Box 3204/Brandon FL 33509-3204 < www.soundideadistribution.com > ) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

Splt: CRUEL FACE/DUDMAN - split 7" Cruel Face from Brazil start this record off with a strong hardcore crust sound. They've got heavy riffs and blast beats... plus their deep screams fit in well with all the other great Brazilian hardcore vocal styles. Good stuff... Dudman on the other hand, come from Japan and play a cross between US powerviolence styles and classic Japanese hardcore beats. This is good, but I liked their earlier split releases much more. I think this one just sounds a little more like US powerviolence/hardcore and is less inspired by Japanese Hardcore madness. Which is what I liked most about this band before. But, they've still got the same crappy recording! But I'll still say this is a good record, even if it's not quite as good as I hoped. (Rhetoric / PO Box 83 / Madison, WI / 53701 / www.rhetoricrecords.com) (-Jay)

Splt: CURTAILRAIL/JOHN BROWNS ARMY - SPLIT 7" Japan's Curtailrail explode from the outset with fucking insanity. Screamy vocasis and powerful and aggressive thrashing mayhem that is relentless. Full tilt, aggressive and abrasive thrash. Needless to say, for me, John Browns Army is much more where it's at. They are distinctly Nate to me with his super gruff vocals and the classic old styled hardcore that I've come to expect. I love it. Think Devoid of Faith and Monster X if you don't know what I mean - though this is more akin to Devoid of Faith. Except that really - this is straight up pure hardcore. Hardfucking-core. This is so much the style of hardcore that I like - that it's as if it's an old familiar favorite - and in effect it is. Played with galloping punchy energy - straight and to the point - driven by a heavy and powerful drive and deep gruff vocals. It's perfect. I love it. A throw back to the era of Negative-Approach, SSD and the like with even more power and punch. Fuck yeah!! (Gloom Records/PD 80x 14253/Albany NY 12212) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*

Splt: DIOS HASTIO/AUTONOMIA - SPLIT 7" First off, everyone should know that the labels on this are reversed. So now that that's out of the way, it should also be known that both bands are from Peru. And although I have never been impressed with Autonomia in the past, there are some memorable parts here and the musicianship is always fairly tight. Their style just relies to heavily on melody for my tastes, but some might find it pleasing. Dios Hastio's tracks are what really make this ep worth tracking down. Check out their CD review also in this issue for further details on them. But rest assured, it's thrashing hardcore punk!! The only real complaint I have about this release is most of the artwork has a shitty pixilated look from bad computer scans. Really makes me cringe... (Sin Fronteras c/o Kerry/PO Box 8004/Minneapolis, MN 55408/USA) (-Jay)

Split: FALLÉN SHORT/DISASTER STRIKES SPLIT CD 2X Metallic new school crust with slight US peace punk/anarcho influences. This release is OK, but can't say I would ever want to listen to it again. Both bands seem to mean well. The songs are decent, though simplified, typical tyrical subject does not help this be memorable. And that's probably what this suffers from the most. It just sounds bland. Nothing makes it stand out, but I'm sure it would be OK if there weren't better bands to listen too. Fortunately, there are. (Rodent Popsicle/PO® Box 1143/Allston/MA/O2134) (-Jay)

Spli: FALLING OVER DRUNK/A DEATH BETWEEN SEASONS - SPLIT CD
This split has nice artwork on the cover - and the sleeve is simple. A Death
Between Season's comes first - they're abrasive and raw thrashy metallic
noise. The recording is good - but on the raw, metallic end and it hurts. Gruff
vocals in the death-metal grind core manner. An assault attack. Falling Over
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intricate style with super gruff scream-o vocals. All the while building and weaving. Mar - erupt with a heavy power - and a deep throttle like Acme. and crazy screamed vocals and they list using instruments like battle axes, hurricanes and earthquakes which isn't too far from the sounds of it. The music is powerful and I like it - but the piercing vocals are a bit much. And when they stop piercing they get all rock sung. Interesting. I'd liken both these bands to the Austrian-German sound of metallic-hardcore noise (ala Acme). (Firewalk with me'Thomas Reitmayev'Lorystr. 544/21/1110 Wier/ Austria) (-Chris)

Splt: JABARA / APATIA NO - SPLIT 7" Jabara tears thru two tracks on this hardcore platter. They have yet to disappoint, and these songs remain raging like all their others. Anyone into the addictive hardcore punk of Japan should seek out everything released by Jabara. But the best part of this ep is the pair up with Apatia No from Venezuela. Their brand of "punk hardcore against the state" makes this release even sweeter, with intensely committed messages, backed by powerfully rhythmic songs. Highly recommended! (HG Fact/401 Hongo-M/2-36-2 Yayol-Cho/Nakano/Tokyo/164-0013/Japan/Email: hgfact@japan.interq.or.jp) (\_lav)

Splt: JOHN BROWN'S KIDS/SHORT BUS KIDS - split 7" J.B.K. starts this out with screaming, spastically youthful hardcore. Fast and snotty at times... On the flipside, S.B.K. sound similar, but add a little more melody into the mix. There's also the addition of female vocals. Theirlyrics are lengthy, which is the only thing I really focused on. Not really into this music, but it sounds like the type of stuff that may be slightly amusing live. But probably not to me... This comes with some crappy free stickers. (SBK/PD Box 85/Lawrence. KS/66044) (-Jav)

Spit: KILL YOUR IDOLS / NERVE AGENTS - SPLIT 7" Kill Your Idols have two songs of their energetic punchly hardcore-punk and a cover song of "Goodbye to You" - bringing out the old punk sound even more. Super energetic, played tight with power and a punchy beat. One of the best! The Nerve Agents are a good combo here - playing old styled straight forward hardcore as well. Got a bit of a horror theme on this record. Two originals and a cover of "Suffragette City". (Mankind Records/PO Box 461/2 Bellflower CA 90707) (-Chris)

Splt: MURDOCK/SUTEK CONSPIRACY - SPLIT 7" Murdock are a band that I've always said was underrated. I haven't heard anything from them in ages - so I was excited about this. They've gotten even crazier in their abrasive style. With gnarly screamed vocals with the occasional hint at the talking voice (or cracked emo voice) coming through. Musically this is abrasive, raw, powerful and manic. In the abrasive discordant emo-hardcore world and I'm so glad they're still around. Sutek Conspiracy are a new favorite. The band on the tape that each and every time caught my attention and held me in awe. They start off with a distinct Swedish death metal style of guitars (at the gates) and then burst into a hardcore frenzy. They keep their sound distinctly punk (not overproduced like the metal lends itself to)... but they weave in all these layers and crunching and chugging guitars. The vocals are screamed. It's all moving at breakneck speed - without being chaotic. Awesome awesome split. Both bands rule. Totally different but yet going together well. Look for more from both bands - as they both have new full lengths coming soon and they both rule! (Ed Walters Records/ c/o Michael Dailey 606 N 13th St. Apt. 1/Lafavette IN 47904) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

Spli: NARCOLEPTIC YOUTH / THE VOIDS - split 7" Narcoleptic Youth play melodic punk rock with tuneful, though slightly snotty, vocals. Cheesy lyrics that bounce along with the tunes... Andit's similar with The Voids. Although they have female vocals that are less melodic, but still sung. And their lyrics are a little better... This is not a record I can get into. (Straight Jacket/PO Box 136/Fullerton, CA/92836/USA/straightjacketrecords@hotmail.com) (-Jay)

Splt: PIG DESTROYER/GNOB - SPLIT CD By now, most fans of extreme grind know of PIg Destroyer. This split will not disappoint them. The tracks are fast, technical and brutal, carrying on in their typical style. The sound is a little flatter than their Relapse stuff, with a metallic high end that probably comes from less of a studio budget. But that's no big deal, and the Stooges cover on this made me forget all about it. Not your typical grindcore cover song... Onto GNOB... Their style of grind is less organized and at times it seems to almost fall apart. But the spastically bouncing beat keeps it rolling forward. An erratic, though interesting listen. To quote the labels promo blurb, "This CD is the very best representation of Virginia grindcore." Alright... (\$Bppd Us, \$9ppd Car/Mex, \$10ppd world to: Robodog/12001 Aintree Lane/Reston, VA/20191) (-Jay)

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Split. TERMINAL ASPECT./TION - split /\* Terminal Aspect plays powerviolence/crust/hardcore thrash, etc... A mix of the styles that stays strong with constant screams. At times this seems a little loose around the edges... but it doesn't distract me too much. Tion's style is a little more grind sounding. Sometimes there's a "southern metal groove" present, but for the most part it's fast and grinding (or at least blasting). Their vocals sound pretty strange... at times very hoarse and deep, and then turning higher pitched and shouted. It grates on my nerves... so it does the job. Not bad... & limited to 300. (\$4ppd US, \$5ppd World to: Geddy Lee records / 4321 9th Ave NE / Seattle, WA / 98105 / USA) (-Jay) Split. THE ABORTED / JUSTIFIED ANGER - split 7" Punk rock split EP. Decent 2 fingers in the air shift from both bands. It's nothing special, but not too bad either. Buy it if you like this kind o' shit. (Punk N' Vomit records/PO Box 3435/Fullerton, CA / 92831) (-Jay)

Split: THELOITERERS/ENDANGERED FECES - split 7" First up are The Loiterers. They play mid paced, snottly (very snottly) punk rock n' roll, with no focus (or at least, lets hope there's no focus) on lyrics. Then there's Endangered Feces. Their name and choice of sleeve art just says shit (literally). This is barely worth mentioning. Terrible... and they do the worst Black Sabbath rip off ever (and that's saying a lot). Pass this one up when you see it in the dollar bins. (PO Box 821/ Valley Stream, NY/11582) (-Jay)

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STRACONY - UWAZAUJCIE - BOMBY WISZA NAD WASZYMI GLOWAMI LP I reviewed this LP in issue #65 when it was released in Poland. Now it's also been released here in the states on Tribal War. So I'm going to tell you again how much I love Polish Punk. I don't think there is any other place that has such a good anarcho-punk style, that is so original and yet so distinctly Polish all the same. This is a great LP, which I have really enjoyed. The vocal style actually sounds quite British, though they're singing in Polish. The music is fast and punchy, clean yet powerful all the same. There are male and female vocals. The uniqueness comes for the polka-type bets, the horns and the sound and feeling of keyboards with an almost squeezebox type effect. The vocals build and chorus together in a very triumphant crescendo. This pressing is in a regular LP sleeve with a poster and lyrics inside (the last one was a big huge fold-out poster cover). Musically this is very Crass like, especially the woman's voice. This is a wesome stuff!! (Tribal Waz/1951 W. Burnside #1936/Portland OR 97209 and Stracony/PO Box 198/78-100 Kolobrzeg/Poland) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*

STUPID BABIES GO MAD - STUPID BASTARDS AND GREAT MOTHERFUCKERS

T\*\* Japanese trash (yes, trash) hardcorel it's got the classic Japanese hardcore sound that we all love, mixed with dirty US rockn' roll (...to the corpse of GG Allin). There's also some Motorhead influence presented here (during their most "rock").

(and the guy can band his head like crazy). I enjoyed plenty of listens to this tape - banging my own head. Then I ended up at a show they were playing at Gilman - I was so excited - until realizing my camera was broken (right as I was about to photograph them and rock out). So I was pretty bummed and distracted. But they rocked and the drummer had a Venom t-shirt to die fort So the same 4 songs have been put to a 10 now - and it's so fucking good!!! Super heavy, powerful, with crunchy and chugga guitars and that drop tuned deep throb - delivering some metal. The insert flyer is awesome too and is going up on my wall now!! (The Black Hand/PO Box 902 Stn. C/ Montreal Quebec H21, 4V2 Canadal, (Chris)

THE CAMORRA - WE BRING DEAD THINGS TO LIFE CDR Damn... what can I say about this... Bad hXc with drum machine programming. This seems to be one person laying down vocals and another one doing all the music. I can't say much more about this without cracking on just how fucking terrible it is... So I won't waste your time. (\$8ppd to: The Camorra c'o Gabe Harper/PO Box 10227/Springfield Missouri / 65808 / the camorra@hotmail.com) (-Jay) THE FIRST STEP - DEMO 2001 TAPE Straight forward old-styled hardcore. Crunchy and punchy. Very much the finger pointing jump in the air style. Youthful vocals with back up choruses. For anyone who likes the sort of thing this is a good solid release. Good band. I'm not sure about the PO Box #-cause the copying was hard to read, might want to email if you can. (PO box 8666/ Greenville NC 27835 < thefirststepxxx@hotmailcom>) (-Chris) THE GREAT CLEARING OFF - CD When I first saw this, I had an immediate attraction to it - and expected to like it. And I was right. I love it when that happens. This is done in a DIY sleeve booklet with a silk-screened cover than

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playing over and over and loving. Hard to pin-point in a description though. Energetic hardcore. Youthful energy and passion and compassion. You can just feel that they care. It's not really emo - but I'd still say there are emohardcore sensibilities. The lyric booklet is really nice - it explains their thoughts behind their words and gives you a lot to read and think on. vocals are midrange and understandable though they do have a bit of a roll to them. Musically it's power-packed with starts and stops and power chords and tons of adrenaline. Love it!! (\$2-4 sliding scale can't beat that / 290 Chestnut St/ Hammonton NJ 08037) (-Chris)

THE SCARLET LETTER - S/T 7" One of my favorites of late! This band totally rules! They manage to incorporate so many different hardcore punk styles and influences, all while maintaining the utmost energetic outbreak. They start off with a super catchy "raise the roof" tempoed thing that totally reminds me of Richmond and some of the great emo-style hardcore bands that get you to a

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ST San Francisco CA 94114) (-Beth)

TOGETHER ALONE - THE LINUS SESSIONS CD This is really awesome. I like the name - it sticks - and so does the music. It's totally addictive hardcore punk with super hooks. The CD is short - only 8 songs and they go by quick, demanding repetitive listens. They're energetic with a hard punch. The sound quitar is thick - but it's also light and weaves. In other words there is a nice trade off and the styles blend. The vocals are from deep in the gut and almost gruff with some back up vocals that make some sing-a-long style choruses. This is super catchy hardcore played with a punchy style that makes you do a funky kind of dance. Love it. (Creep Records/PMB 220/252 E. Market St/West Chester PA 19382) (-Chris)

TOMMY & THE TERRORS - MASS. HYSTERIA CD My friend lent me the T&TT demo awhile back & I still have it to this day (sorry Drew). It seems Boston is continuing to be a hotbed for awesome punk/hardcore bands, with neighbors like The Trouble (rip), The Explosion, American Nightmare, you can't go wrong. 8

does have a touch of industrial metallic guitars. The recording is actually really thick and powerful and lends itself perfectly to this bands sound. I have become totally hooked on this. It's very different - and doesn't sound like anything else these days. High energy, driving force, and a really catchy feel in the guitar hooks (which are constantly changing) and the vocals that weave and roll all over. Straight up, this is really fucking good. (Fish Fur/ 121 East 63rd St/ Savannah.) GA 31405) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

URKO - FAST3CHORDHARDCOREMOTHERFUCKING THRASHCRUSTPUNK SHIT 7" Okay so can you read the title of this record - it's pretty funny and it's also pretty true. Hove the beginning of this which starts with a powerful and heavy crunchy march beat. Then they explode into fast, guttural mayhem - that is held together with the deep throbbing tune and the rockin' explosion - all done at breakneck thrashing speed. The vocals come in guttural spurts - quite gnarly. The vocals are angry, pissed and pretty negative. But there is a funny one called "our gods" which just lists all their classic rock heros. Urko are from England and

they tear shit up. A bit more thrashy and manic than I'm usually into - but this is fucking great! (Disintegration Records/ PMB 419/ 1442A Walnut St/Berkeley Ca 94709 < disintegration@ wethepunx.com>) (-Chris)

wa-CHEAP SHOTS & AND LOW BLOWS CD This is a cd compilation of a bunch of TKO Records releases that were originally released as vinyl singles in 1997 & 1998. You get tracks from Dropkick

Murphys, Templars, One Man Army, and many more. You get anywhere from 1-4 songs from each band, and even if you have any/all of the singles, this is a dam convenient way to have 'em on in one place. For the record collectors, there is also a listing of pressing information on the insert, as well as contact info for all of the bands featured. This says it's "volume 1", so look for more "volumes" in the future & buy 'em as well. (TKO Records, 4104 24th St. #103, San Francisco, CA 94114) (-Dave)

y/a - LIFE ON ANOTHER PLANET CD This cd is basically a compilation/sampler of the stuff that was released on Profile Records & by its successor Another Planet Records. Profile was the label that was responsible for such things as the debut releases by Cro-Mags, Leeway, Murphys Law, and others. Profile was also known for the fact that they never paid the bands much/any of the money made from the sales of these releases, instead leaving the bands feeling ripped off. Another Planet started as a label intent on re-releasing some of the out-of-print Profile gems, as well as some non-Profile things like the first two Warzone full lengths. AP also started releasing their own new releases along the way, and bands like Crown Of Thorns, Skarhead, and others had their records released. AP eventually folded. Triple Crown has taken the helm, and compiled a great sampler of both labels releases, and even threw in the cd-rom videos from CroMags & LeeWay, since neither of them got much Mtv play back when they were originally made. There are no un-released songs, but for those unfamiliar with that "era" of NYHC, it is worth picking up. (Triple Crown Records, 331 W. 57th Street, PMB 472, NY, NY 10019) (-Dave)

wa - WORLDWIDE TRIBUTE TO THE REAL OI! CD This is a great compilation of hardcore bands paying tribute to some classic of anthems. It was compiled by Roger from AGNOSTIC FRONT & Onno CroMag. 14 bands picked 2 songs each, and The Business even cover Iron Cross' "Crucified", that has often been mistaken as being an Agnostic Front song by some uninformed idiots over the years. AF covered it on their "Liberty & Justice" Lp, and have since made it part of their playlist in their live shows. Other great bands on this include: Blood For Blood, Dropkick Murphys, Sick Of It All, Kill Your Idols, and many others. Each band gives a short statement as to why they picked the songs that are featured, which is kinda cool. Some bands do butcher their chosen songs, in my opinion, cuz they put a bit too much of their own "sound" into the song, and take away what actually what made the song sound great in the first place. But aside from that, most of the bands do the classics justice. Bands covered include: Cock Sparrer, The Oppressed, Blitz, Combat 84, and many others. The bands covered are more of the Link & Secret Records-era stuff, and there aren't any scary right

stuff thrown in, some acoustic songs, and some techno - industrial parts as well. Also plenty of straight up punk rock and hardcore - though not youth crew type mosh hardcore - just hardcore punk rock. There's bands from all over the world featured here - and there is a listing with each track number and the band and contact - which is good. (\$7ppd/No!No Records/1826 Virnankay/Ann Arbor MI 48103) (-Chris)

wa ESTIGIA/EXECRADORES/GRITO DE ODIO - 3 WAY SPLIT CD Anarcho punk with a bit (or more) of crust, and no lyrics or writings in English. The bands all stand strong alone... and though the Execradores songs sound familiar, I'd still have to say this is some of the best stuff they've done so far... Consider this one recommended listening... So go buy it, but make sure not to pagues mas de 1000 pts. (La Idea/Apdo 18251/C.P. 28080/Madrid) (-Jay)

wa SHORT, FAST + LOUD - VOL.1 CD 40 bands = 40 blasts of musical destruction. The comparison to Slap A Ham's earlier Bleaarroohh!!! comps is unavoidable. There's even the same layout inside, with each band getting a little space to put artwork/words/etc. I always liked those comps, and this one is no exception. And, just as it's titled, everything on here is short, fast & loud. While most every band is worth mentioning, there's not enough space to do that, so none will get the honor (ha). Just make sure to pick this one up and find out all the details for yourself. (Slap A Ham/PO Box 420843/San Fran, CA/94142-

wa SONGS OF THE DEAD II - IDLE HANDS CD An "Emo-violence" (that'll never get old, will it?) tribute to Horror Movies. No lyrics are included, but apparently all (except 1) of these 29 band's songs are about horror movies. I can't really tell. But it's a lengthy compilation. So it has at least 1 thing going for it. (And here my troubles began/PO Box 421/Mooresville, IN/46158) (-Jay)

Va STOCKHOLMS MANGEL - VA CD Six early Swedish hardcore legends. covering the Stockholm era, in between 1983-'86. There's even a chart included to show how many of the bands shared members (Ake in particular). Here's what you get: 12 tracks from Mob 47, 7 from Agoni, 12 from Crudity, 16 from Protes Bengt, 11 from Discard and 3 from Roiers. That's an impressive lineup (to say the least). I'll be straight up and say that you're a fool if you claim to be into Swedish hardcore, yet aren't interested in this. Make sure to track this one down; it's mandatory listing (for all of you!) Also available as a limited 2xLP... good luck! (Swedish Punk Classics/Box 6294/400 60 Gothenburg, Sweden/email: classic.swedish.punk@swipnet.se) (-Jay)



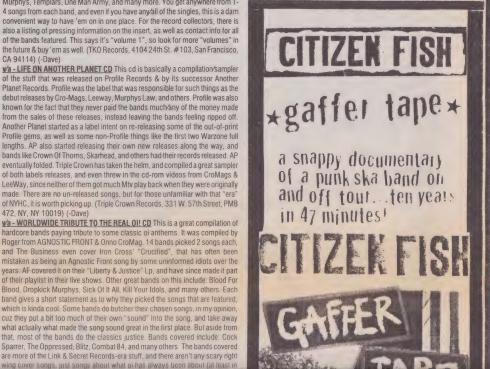
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THUG MURDER: "THE 13TH ROUND" CD Very good streetpunk from Japan. 
Apparently discovered by Flat records while opening for the Dropkick Murphys in Japan this band defiantly rocks. 
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UNPERSONS - S/T?" After listening to this on tape for quite awhile, I'd convinced myself this might well be a split record cause there are two distinct sounds and styles happening on this. At first I was thinking this sounds akin to the "Land of Milk and Honey" era of Ministry - with out the synthylechno. It's more in the feeling, energy, delivery and overlapping weaving delivery. And the recording

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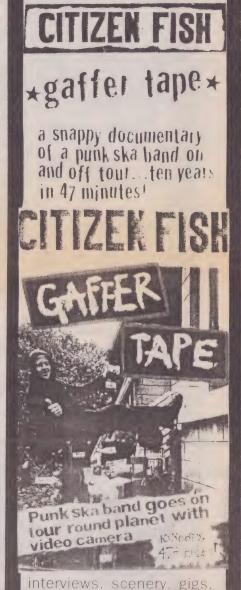
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UNPERSONS - \$7.7" After listening to this on tape for quite awhile, I'd convinced myself this might well be a split record cause there are two distinct sounds and styles happening on this. At first I was thinking this sounds akin to the "Land of Milk and Honey" era of Ministry - with out the synth/techno. It's more in the feeling, energy, delivery and overlapping weaving delivery. And the recording

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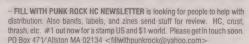


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The Big Burrito, 160 Brighton Ave., Allston. A lot of punks work here, they sell burritos and many other veggie foods.

Buddha's Delight, 5 Beach St. (Chinatown) Boston. A very good vegetarian Chinese restaurant. The place was pretty clean, but apparently it has gone downhill in the past years.

Buddha's Too, 404 Harvard St., Brookline . A newer branch of Buddha's Delight that is much nicer and upscale than the original store. The food, portions, and atmosphere are all great.

Burrito Max, 642 Beacon St. (Kenmore Sq.), Boston (617) 266-8088. Closest T Stop: Kenmore Square stop on the green line. This place is the same as Big Burrito, and has the same great burritos, good prices and is right in Kenmore Sq.

Cafe Avventura, 36 JFK St., Harvard Sq. (in the Garage near Newbury Comics), Cambridge. A pizza place right in Harvard Sq... that has large slices and it's pretty cheap. Its kinda hidden in the Garage (its like a mini mall sorta, but not as cheesy), so you have to look to find it. But its cool because all the food places in Harvard Sq. are soo expensive

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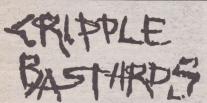
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ite piece is the comic by Carrie McNinch (who does Assassin and the Whiner). I guess the whole thing is kinda silly, but still, it's something that most anyone can relate to. After all, I'm pretty sure that most everyone has puked at some point in their life. This definitely sparked memories of a few of my own puke stories – huddled over the toilet, telling myself I'd never drink again (yeah right!).( –Kyle) PUKE ZINE #3 (\$2) Theme focused zines can be tough - it's





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(which is really honest and insightful) and still there's more! All I can say is get a hold of a copy and enjoy! (-Aprille)

R'LYEH RISING #6 (\$1ppd/PO Box 40113/Portland OR 97240-0113) What a good zine! If you are into anarcho-peace punk of the crusty D-beat style — then you absolutely have to get a hold of this zine. Frank does such a good job with

this - it looks fantastic. All reverse copies - cut and paste strips of text style. The interviews are really good. They're not too long - but they go well beyond the standard questions and get into life in the locations of these bands - which reminds us that there is more than just music in the international punk community and getting to know a bit about these places other than just the rock of punk is a good thing. Interviews with Disclose (Japan), Age (Japan), Dread 101 (Czech). And a bit of a bio on Diatribe, an old S. Cal band of the Crucifix era that didn't get much attention (no records). The other side of this zine's focus is an obsession with HP Lovecraft. Frank says there is no connection what so ever, and most will only focus on the half (HP or Punk) that they like but perhaps will be interested in the other. Well that is the truth of it. I'm intriqued by Lovecraft, though I've never read anything, and this zine makes me want to - full well expecting to get into it. There's some reviews too. The punk focus is on raw D-Beat punk - the heavy Dis type stuff - of new and old. Also a focus on Portland's punk attack - Deathcharge and War Machine. All around awesome zine. The sort of zine that sets a president and I found so many

other interviews lacking after enjoying this so much! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

RAG HAG #6(9) (sum 00) (\$3' c'o Skuld/ PO Box 1661/ Poughkeepsie NY 12061) I can't believe this is from last summer, cause I only just got one. Skuld's zine is a great collection of womyn positive and witch positive information. This issue takes a turn toward the witchy side much more - with a ton of collected stuff on witches and being witchy. There's a really good re-print of Sherry Gumptions article on tampons and the toxins and health risks involved as well as alternatives very inspired writing. Most of the zine is collected materials. And Skuld does her own distribution of diy homemade cloth menstrual pads, patches, charm bracelets and other goodies. This is serious, yet upheat, informative and yet fun

RAW PUNK BASTARDS #3 (\$1ppd US/\$2ppd world/Dan/RPB/PO Box 197/ Steger IL 60475) Another regular zine in the punk world that is worth your attention. Dan's churning these out with tons of enthusiasm and energy - it's awesome to see. The focus is on interviews - which are pretty basic and standard but cover some good bands and distros — Ripping Thrash (UK zine), Rehash but cover some good datus and district. — hipping filmash (uk. ziller), heritash (zinedistro), BBP Tapes (UK punk distro), Armistice (So. Cal Peace Punk band), Dzieci Dzarnobyla (Chicago), and Sinorden. Also zine reviews and some other bits and ads for the sake of info with a focus on zines. Mine came with a patch

Trottel. Quite a few responses to Marck/Class War's article on working class that was in issue #19, a Malaysian scene report, tons of music/zine reviews, and other odds n' ends. The list of reasons why CDs are better than records (lifted from Unfair?'s website) was a bit ridiculous. A good solid issue. (-Aprille)

RURAL LIFE STANDARD Autumn 2000 (\$?/PO Box 433/Monee IL 60449) This

was sent by Anthony Rayson (Thoughtbombs zine, South Chicago ABC zine distro) so to get a hold of a copy write him about price or postage. It's a newspaper put together by STAND (Shut this night mare airport down) which is a group of community activists/citizens fighting against the plans to expand the airport I which would take over their land, homes and communities. They are very vocal, enraged and ready to fight the long fight. This is a collection of articles from local papers, plans from the airport and politicians I letters exchanged between the two, notes from hearings and such. All of it very interesting and brings home the fact that the powers that be, can at any point come and take everything away from you and your neighbors. So if you live in the Chicago/Illinois area or not, show them your support. (-Aprille) SELF-DEFENSE #6 (\$1 ortrade/Marissa Johnson

4951 Catharine/Philadelphia PA 19143) This has a really crisp look to it, plus it's hand sewn together and scattered with photos ranging from Chiapas to an inner city school chess club. Strange mix, but it all flows. Half of this is Marissa's journal-type thoughts of traveling to Chiapas to be an international observer, missing the WTO Seattle actions, moving to Philadelphia and her

Old (?) job of working with kids that have behavioral and/or mental disorders. She writes very simply and bare boned. the other half is an interview with a teacher in SE Washington DC elementary school. There's nothing loud or flashy about this zine and that is part of its charm. Just a piece of Marissa's world put down

SHAZZBUTT! #4 the Travel Issue (\$1/Mark Novotny/ 5413 S. 6th Ave/ Countryside, IL 60525) I wasn't too impressed with the last issue of Shazzbutt that I read, but this one is way better! It basically just covers Mark's various misadventures while out traveling - getting arrested while trying to hop trains, fights between his traveling companions, arguing with a psychotic traveling preacher, how to eat for free while traveling, getting ripped off by crackheads, van troubles, etc. Mark is also really into skateboarding so there's some of that interspersed here and there. (–Kyle)

SHORT, FAST & LOUD #6 (summer 2000) (\$3ppd/New address: P0 box 7337/ Alhambra CA 91802-7337) So this issue came out last summer, and I was really late in getting this. But for anyone who loves fast and crazy hardcore - this is a zine that you absolutely must know about and have copies of. There should be a new issue out right about now - and take note that Slap A Ham and Chris Dodge are moving to LA this spring too. This issue has a totally unique look to it, which is really refreshing. Lots of great photos and catchy nice layouts with little captions of what the pages hold at the top. There's a rad interview with Karoline Collins - roadie extraordinare (and my best friend) in Athena's column. There's a section of columns, letters and reviews. Interviews with Hellnation, Larm - what



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**AVAILABLE & IN STORES JAN. 2001** ALSO AVAILABLE THROUGH BLACKENED DIST. stating that liberation is impossible without the dissolutio of agriculture. It's pretty interesting, I suppose, but I'm left

wondering – if we turn from an agriculturally based way of life, where do we turn to? Back to hunter-gatherers? Seems pretty implausible to me. (-Kyle) (see the book Ishmael by Daniel Quinn for more on the agriculture = problems theory - Chris)

TALK \$TORY #2 (\$2/Gorsky Press/PO Box 320504/Cocoa Beach, FL 32932)
Gorsky Press publishes "high quality fiction that would otherwise be ignored by mainstream publishers." This is one item from their ever-expanding catalog of offerings. It features Concerto for the Star King, a short story by Justin Bryant. Personally I found the story to be a bit too vague and confusing for my own tastes, but, hey, what do I know about good literature? My favorite thing about this is the opening editorial about old friends and how as time passes people change and become new creatures, and how we tend to distort and reshape our memories of the past to make them have more meaning, thus making our memories more

THE BLACK CLAD MESSENGER #14 (\$2/ BCM/ PO Box 11331/ Fugene OR 97440) Collection of articles covering things like sexism in anarchist circles, the uprising in Bolivia, how gender roles affect us, the whitewash of Israeli-Palestinean relations by US media, an essay from Against Civilization: Reading and Reflections, and some writing from/about political prisoners - Josh Harper, Jeffrey "Free" Luers, and Critter. Plus more. Solid collection. (-Aprille)

THE EAST VILLAGE INKY #10 (\$2/ Ayun Halliday/ 122 Dean St/ Brooklyn NY 11201 - inky@erols.com>) The continuing adventures of Ayun and her 3 year old daughter Inky and her new son Milo. If you are a parent yourself - then you absolutely must get a hold of this gem of a 1/4 sized zine - cause you will be sure to find inspiration. What makes this so good is that it's not a parenting zine - it's simply Ayun telling her stories of life with her wacky family. She hand-writes and illustrates her tales and you get so easily charmed and wrapped up into her life that you will become hooked!! In this issue she tells of her new obsession with being an over-aged Japanese club kitty kid - falling for the cute characters (San Rio - etc). There is much irony in stories of wanting to hang out in some of these hip places - out of place with a breast-feeding son - but she's got such a good attitude and is such a rad mother - the stories she tells us are clearly more fun than the young zine editors in the sake bar would be having. She tells of specific places in the east village that she likes and gives the run down of their food and movie entertainment. Inky goes to school and insomnia rules. Kids have fi the holidays (hallowen sounding like the best) and as always a quirky look at clothing and style. This continues to be my favorite zine!! (-Chris) \*\*\*\*\*

THE FLAGBURNER #7 (\$2 worldwide, \$3 Europe/Janne Nystrom/Eurantie 12A9/00550 Helsinki/Finland) This has a really awesome layout, and is written

in English, but one thing I didn't really like was that it is 8.5x11 sheets of paper stapled three times down one side, rather than 11x17 folded in half. Oh well, its still very nice, and informative. Includes a haunting visit to a Russian women's prison, a piece on the WTO, and interviews with punk bands: Atrocious Madness. Diskonto Selkaus and War Machine (-Paul)

THE GET IN TOUCH STEP FORWARD CONSPIRACY... (\$3 world/\$2 Asia/Take 4 Collective/PO Box 3900/CPO Manila 1000/Philippines) Tons of inspiration and energy behind this zine - pushing the international scene via communication and networking. It's a big newsprint zine. Tons of columns, scene reports (worldwide) and reviews. Band interviews with What Happens Next? and Catharsis, as well as Synthesis zine and distro (London) and Refuse Records (Poland). All the interviews are good and in-depth and make for good thoughtful and informative reading. The collective spirit behind this zine is really awesome to see. Not too much focus on the Asian scene - but none the less a good zine

just means more can be crammed onto it. Sounds good to me! As always, it's a rundown of the Cincinnati punk

rock goings on, written in detail and not forgetting huge doses of sarcasm. Lately there's been photos of bands and other assorted punks included throughout too. And on top of all the scene reporting is record and zine reviews - so do yourself

THE WHIZZBANGER GUIDE TO ZINE DISTRIBUTORS #5 (\$4/PO Box 559) Portland OR 97228) Shannon's been putting this out every year since '97 updating it as needed. 121 entries from 26 countries, it's gotta be the most concise collection of not only zine distros, but zine stores, libraries, archives and info-shops. Each entry is a brief description sent in by the distro, listing what they focus on, how many titles they have and so on. It's really inspiring to flip thru if and see how far reaching zine culture is. And I appreciate Shannon's intro where he calls people on their computer arrogance - the reality that a hell of a lot of the world's population don't have computers, so use actual real addresses. If you're interested in spreading your zine around, or ordering zines to read - or if you thrive on zines then this guide is essential and invaluable. (-Aprille)

TRUCK STOP ZINE #5 (stamps ob Mitch/3565 N. Morris Blvd / Shorewood, WI 53211) Interesting focus-not only truck stops are covered, but it encompasses the whole road culture in a way. Gas station reviews, road trip tales, reviews o truck driving music and road inspired poetry. The intro to this was very straight-up about his recent perspective shift away form automobiles/trucks - taking a look at the impact on the earth. He grapples with this new awareness thru out the pages, and % it'll be interesting to see how it transforms this zine. Stories abou a deer being hit by a car, the freedom riders of the 60's (anti-segregationists that took a bus load of people deep into the south- with very violent outcomes), driving out to the zine conference in Bowling Green, growing up around a certain gas station, a review of drag racing movie 'Two Lane Blacktop', plus more. Made for

TURNING THE TIDE Vol 13 #3 (\$2.50/ PART/ PO Box 1055/ Culver City, CA 90232) The journal of anti-racist action, research and education. This is a consistent newspaper filled with news, essays and info. This issue focuses or updates on various political prisoners, insights into the many corrupt arms of the CIA, thoughts on how to take street protest and street reclaiming to a higher level, accounts of the Los Angeles Democratic convention protests, info on the anti-racist action network international conference and a whole lot more. This should be a staple read along with other political newspapers and zines. (-Aprille TURNING THE TIDE Vol 13 #4 A consistently produced newspaper covering radical news, protests, direct actions, updates and commentary. This issue building an inter-racial student movement, update on Mumia Abu-Jamal, info o political prisoner Eddie Hatcher, news of human rights violations in Puerto Ricc what's really going on in Columbia, excerpts from a talk with black panthe prisoner Assata Shakur, along with many other smaller articles. As always, ar

TWO TEARS IN A BUCKET MOTHER FUCK IT #2 (\$1ppd/Mollie Hatchet/3522 River Rd. #3/Cincinnati OH 45204) You may remember Mollie's last zine, Urban Arms. It's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she's been later a dry spell, she's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she's been awhile since she's done an issue and after a dry spell, she she she was a spell she with the she was a spell she was a s inspired to write again and this time under a new zine name. Sadly, the inspiration came much in the same way that Urban Arms originated - the frustration and anger over the death of a good friend. In this case - it was Adem Ostendorf - who was stabbed to death last year in Mpls. She writes about that. And a lot more. She writes about touring with Scomed last year, about music, books and movies that inspire her. About crusty punks - good and bad. About getting to know and accept home town Cincinnati again, while preparing to travel in Europe. A bit of

Although the size of the page has increased to a fest and gets into a passive fight with an out of control straight edger. A touch one. The size of type hasn't' gotten bigger, so that of randomness - but all based around the bay punk scene. (-Chris)

URBAN HERMITT #9 (\$2/1122 E. Pike#910/Seattle WA 98122) I always love a new issue of the Urban Hermitt, and this one is especially good cause it's a "novel" about her adventures in Hawaii. Essentially Sarah got fed up with Seattle and her counseling job and her poetry house scene and said, fuck-it



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songs (and a hidden Sex Pistols cover tune) make this a great follow up to their demo. Take a bit of oi, punk, and straight forward hardcore, throw it into a blender & mix it up real nice, and you get T&TT. These guys are always very funny on stage, and they almost get their live spirit across on this release. If T&TT play your town, do yourself a favor & GO! (Rodent Popsicle Records, PO Box 1143, Allston, MA 02134) (-Dave)

TOTAAL VÉRLEPT - TOTALLY WASTED CD Apparently this band was formed in 1980, making them the oldest hardcore band in Holland. This CD contains their newest studio tracks and some live ones. The energy level on this stays pretty high, with strong melodies and tight musicianship. Some slower, silly songs are on this but they're not too distracting. All in all, this is a good release. However, I'm interested in hearing their early stuff, which the label that released this describes as "ultra fast 'blow it out yer ass' thrash core". But this melodic stuff is OK I guess... (Tocado records / PO Box 3092 / 3003 AB Rotterdam / The Netherlands) (-Jav)

TOTAL FUCKING DESTRUCTION - CDR DEMO2000.V2.0 Once I got past the 1st track, this wasn't too bad. But the CDR kept skipping, so that just aggravated me further. Anyway, sometimes they groove, sometimes they grind. I didn't find it that interesting, but that could have been due to the troubles I had getting Itto play. And their lyrics don't help matters any... This might be OK if it's only meant to be given out free at metal shows. (R.Hoak/#3 Bethel Church Rd./Dillsburg, PA/17019/USA/rich666@vgicenet.com) (Lav)

17019/USA/rich666@voicenet.com) (-Jay)

TREASON - \$T 7" I got totally into this one cause it goes beyond the norm of expectation... the sort of record that the more I listened to it, the more I loved it and thought "fuck yeah" this band rules. They've got a good variety - playing totally energized punk rock - from super all-out speed and abrasiveness then mixing in a punchy catchy tempo. Galloping energy and speed. Gruff gnarled vocals are prominent and equally fast. They're got one song with a distinct backup chorus for 'Disarm'. While the whole thing plows along at super aggressive speed - they throw in just the breaks and catches to break it up and keep it from being the same, or falling into a niche. The lyrics are lengthy social-political anti-war and capitalism and there are anarcho-peace punk spoken manifestos in here as well. Studs and spikes and peace punk... fuck yeah. (\$3ppd/ Eddie or Brandon/ 1715 NE Killingsworth St./Portland OR 97211) (-Chris) \*\*\*\*

TRUST NO ONE - YOU'VE BEEN WARNED CD Florida is now more known for it's metal scene, and doesn't have a large roster of well-known hardcore bands, aside from bands like Where Fear And Weapons Meet, etc. The guys in TNO take a liking to the NYC "sound" with comparisons to Madball & Hatebreed coming to mind, with a hint of Downset as well. Very metal-crossover-ish & a crisp production make this very listenable, since you can actually understand the singer without needing to look at the lyric sheet every other song. There are lots of dancey-mosh parts too, so the kids kids that like their music packed with kick-boxing potential will dig this. (Eulogy Recordings, PO Box 8692, Coral Springs, FI 33075) (-Dave)

<u>UNPERSONS - \$77"</u> After listening to this on tape for quite awhile, I'd convinced myself this might well be a split record cause there are two distinct sounds and styles happening on this. At first I was thinking this sounds akin to the "Land of Milk and Honey" era of Ministry - with out the synthrechno. It's more in the feeling, energy, delivery and overlapping weaving delivery. And the recording

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BLOWS CD This is a
cd compilation of a
bunch of TKO
Records releases
that were originally
released as vinyl
singles in 1997 as
1998. Yougetracks
from Dropkick

Murphys, Templars, One Man Army, and many more. You get anywhere from 1-4 songs from each band, and even if you have any'all of the singles, this is a dam convenient way to have 'em on in one place. For the record collectors, there is also a listing of pressing information on the insert, as well as contact info for all of the bands featured. This says it's "volume 1", so look for more "volumes" in the future & buy 'em as well. (TKO Records, 4104 24th St. #103, San Francisco, CA 44114).

Var \_ LIFE ON ANOTHER PLANET CD This cd is basically a compilation/sampler of the stuff that was released on Profile Records & by its successor Another Planet Records. Profile was the label that was responsible for such things as the debut releases by Cro-Mags, Leeway, Murphys Law, and others. Profile was also known for the fact that they never paid the bands much/any of the money made from the sales of these releases, instead leaving the bands feeling ripped off. Another Planet started as a label intent on re-releasing some of the out-of-print Profile gems, as well as some non-Profile things like the first two Warzone full lengths. AP also started releasing their own new releases along the way, and bands like Crown Of Thoms, Skarhead, and others had their records released. AP eventually folded. Triple Crown has taken the helm, and compiled a great sampler of both labels releases, and even threw in the cd-rom videos from CroMags & LeeWay, since neither of them got much Mtv play back when they were originally made. There are no un-released songs, but for those unfamiliar with that "era" of NYHC, it is worth picking up. (Triple Crown Records, 331 W. 57th Street, PMB 472. NY. NY 10019) (-Dave)

wa WORLDWIDE TRIBUTE TO THE REAL O!! CD This is a great compilation of hardcore bands paying tribute to some classic oi anthems. It was compiled by Roger from AGNOSTIC FRONT & Onno CroMag. 14 bands picked 2 songs each, and The Business even cover Iron Cross' "Crucified", that has often been mistaken as being an Agnostic Front song by some uninformed idiots over the years. AF covered it on their. "Liberty & Justice" Lp, and have since made it part of their playlist in their live shows. Other great bands on this include: Blood For Blood, Dropkick Murphys, Sick Of It All, Kill Your Idols, and many others. Each band gives a short statement as to why they picked the songs that are featured, which is kinda cool. Some bands do butcher their chosen songs, in my opinion, cuz they put a bit too much of their own "sound" into the song, and take away what actually what made the song sound great in the first place. But aside from that, most of the bands do the classics justice. Bands covered include: Cock Sparrer, The Oppressed, Blitz, Combat 84, and many others. The bands covered are more of the Link & Secret Records-era stuff, and there aren't any scary right wing cover songs, just songs about what oi has always been about (at least in my opinion), and that's having a say & having a laughtool (Triple Crown Records, 331 W. 57th Street, PMB 472, NY, NY 10019) (-Dave)

y'a 0 TO 60 IN 73 BANDS - COMP CD This compilation is actually almost overwhelming. I mean 73 bands is quite a lot for one CD. And with that many bands comes a wide variety of styles and quality. For the most part the quality is decent but at the same time - it's not all great. There are quite a few gems... and surprise songs from 0 i Polloi and 2 Pump Louie thrown in the middle. A lot of pure punk adrenaline energy here - in a way that reminds me of those Posh Boy - Oxnard compilations outla So. Cal in the 80s... but there's some grindcore fast

covering the Stockholm era, in between 1983-36. There's even a chart included to show how many of the bands shared members (Ake in particular). Here's what you get: 12 tracks from Mob 47, 7 from Agoni, 12 from Crudity, 16 from Protes Bengt, 11 from Discard and 3 from Rojers. That's an impressive lineup (to say the least). I'll be straight up and say that you're a fool if you claim to be into Swedish hardcore, yet aren't interested in this. Make sure to track this one down; it's mandatory listing (for all of you!) Also available as a limited 2xLP... good luck! (Swedish Punk Classics/Box 6294/400 60 Gothenburg, Sweden/email: classic.swedish.punk@swipnet.se) (-Jay)















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